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GERMANY THREATENS AMERICA

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Liverpool Night Raid

A GERMAN BOMBER WAS BROUGHT DOWN AT DAWN IN LINCOLNSHIRE YESTERDAY AFTER THE FIRST NIGHT RAIDS OF ANY SIZE ON ENGLAND SINCE THE BEGINNING OF THE WEEK.

The Luftwaffe's attention was directed mainly against Liverpool and Merseyside, where houses were demolished and fires started which were soon brought under control.

Casualties were not expected to be heavy in Liverpool, where reports state deaths were probably less than half a dozen.

37TH RAID ON BERLIN

It was announced in London yesterday that R.A.F. bombers attacked Berlin for the thirty-seventh time on Friday night; other forces of bombers raided the invasion ports and targets in the Ruhr.

Many fires were started in Berlin and explosions were seen in an aero-engine factory and other parts of the target area. Later raiders were guided by the fires and started new conflagrations. Coastal Command aircraft bombed aerodromes and harbours in occupied territory. A naval dockyard was bombed and Abbeville, Dunkirk, Le Havre and Rouen were all attacked. A Blenheim bomber reconnoitering over Boulogne scored direct hits on a 5,000-ton enemy supply ship. In spite of heavy anti-aircraft fire, four bombs hit the vessel and pieces of the ship flew into the air. When the Blenheim turned after the attack the ship was wreathed in dense clouds of smoke. — Reuter.

JAPANESE CABINET CHANGES

For the avowed purpose of strengthening the Government the Prime Minister, Prince Kanoyo, yesterday carried out a reshuffle of his Cabinet.

The new appointments are: BARON KICHIRO HIRANUMA, MINISTER WITHOUT PORTFOLIO AND FORMER PREMIER AND PRESIDENT OF THE PRIVY COUNCIL, WHO HAS BEEN MADE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS, AND Li-Gen, Yanagawa, Secretary-General of the China Affairs Board, who becomes Minister of Justice. The appointment of Baron Hiranuma as Home Minister is generally regarded as an increasing flight of influence in the Cabinet, which in future will revolve around the "Hiranuma-Kanoyo Axis." — Reuter.

URUGUAY SHOWS HER COLOURS

A pro-British demonstration held in Montevideo yesterday proved a remarkable success. Prominent Uruguayan speakers called for non-belligerent treatment for British naval units calling at Montevideo and also urged Uruguay to join in the war allied to Britain. — Reuter.

Other reports put killed at less than a score. A few people were injured in a hotel which was damaged by blast.

Houses, shops and commercial buildings were also damaged and the low casualties must be attributed to the care of the public of Liverpool—which has been raided almost as many times as London—to take shelter.

Several Nazi planes are believed to have been damaged by the intense barrage put up by Liverpool's anti-aircraft guns.

Vicious Bombing

In another Merseyside town the raid was described as vicious and indiscriminate. Fires started were all put out within a comparatively short time.

A third town in the same area was also attacked heavily. A few bombs were also dropped in other parts of the country but little damage was done.

Well In Hand

The attack on Liverpool and Merseyside lasted several hours, states the official communique, which adds that by early morning the position was already well in hand.

A tannery and storage yard were set afire there and a number of other fires were all soon extinguished or brought under control. A considerable number of houses were demolished or seriously damaged but casualties are not expected to be heavy.

A few bombs are reported in other parts of Britain, mainly in the Midlands, but reports indicate these caused little damage and very few casualties. — British Wireless.

JAPANESE SEIZE STEAMERS

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

It was reported in Shanghai yesterday that the Japanese authorities have detained three German and two Italian river steamers which were carrying cotton from the interior.

All five ships were tied up yesterday at the Nantao boom.

The Japanese are also reported, meanwhile, to have released another three German ships, detained with many British and Italian vessels and an American steamer, for over a month.

The American ship is the "Estelle," the release of which is expected as result of the protest lodged in Tokyo by the American Ambassador last week. — Our Own Correspondent.

WHOLESALE VICHY DISMISSALS

Wholesale dismissals by the Vichy Government were reported yesterday. A chief colonial administrator, four others and two deputies have been superseded, and two colonial officials retired. — Reuter.



A WASH AND BRUSH UP IN THE DESERT. — Window cleaning on a Bristol Bombay before an air raid. The R.A.F. has played a notable part in the Western Desert triumphs. (Copyright, Air Mail.)

CONFIDENCE AND VIGILANCE

--Britain's Watchwords

THE LONDON NEWSPAPERS yesterday underlined confidence and vigilance as the keynotes of Mr. Winston Churchill's speech in the House of Commons.

Said "The Times": "We are now within measurable distance of the point at which we may hope to seize the principal initiative and challenge the enemy to defend himself if he can."

"At present the enemy's offensive possibilities are very far from exhaustion but on the other hand we ourselves have passed decisively beyond the stage of mere defence, and in assuming the offensive in one theatre of war have started a process which should in time transform our whole strategy."

NEW U.S. ECONOMIC WEAPON?

The possibility of the control of imports by the United States has aroused considerable speculation in Washington.

This follows a remark by Colonel Russell Maxwell, Administrator of the Export Control Board, on Friday night that "many experts think control of imports is a major problem requiring an early solution."

Col. Maxwell did not amplify his remark, but one Government official said the matter was being given serious study. Action was not imminent, he added, but something might be done in future.

Asked for what purpose such action would be taken, the official replied that it would provide the United States with another, economic weapon if events so dictated. It is thought in some Washington circles that "imports of silk, which come mainly from Japan, might be one item made subject to such control. — Reuter.

The "Daily Telegraph" said the country will read with amazement Mr. Churchill's statement that France had no general reserve when the Nazi blow fell.

The paper says it was the supreme lesson of 1914/1918 that such a force was indispensable.

Intensified Effort

It reminds its readers that the preparation of military forces which can strike as swift and hard as General Wavell struck and so shorten the war will tax the energy of the whole nation and will require intensification of the effort in munition factories and shipyards, but the strain of sacrifice will only harden the determination of the British people "to spend their strength in the furthest striving action" till victory is complete. — Reuter.

IN SERIOUS PLIGHT

The Italian Dodecanese Islands are being subjected to increasing pressure, with supplies cut off by the Royal Navy.

According to Athens radio yesterday the Italians are taking it out of the islands and are selling crops and fishing-boats. The inhabitants are reduced to 40 grammes of bread a day. — Reuter.

OLD JOB FOR MR. EDEN?

The London press yesterday displayed much interest in the possible successor to the late Lord Lothian as Ambassador in Washington.

Speculation mentions the names of Mr. Lloyd George, Viscount Cranborne (Dominions Secretary), Sir Archibald Sinclair (Air Minister) and Mr. Anthony Eden (War Minister).

Most likely appointment, most newspapers agree, is Lord Halifax, the Foreign Secretary.

This would mean a new Foreign Secretary and Mr. Eden, it is thought, would return to his old post from which he resigned owing to disagreement with Mr. Chamberlain's appeasement policy towards Italy.

All speculation is purely unofficial and no official statement will be made until President Roosevelt has agreed to the appointment. — Reuter.

GRIM CONDITIONS IN POLAND

A first hand account of a journey through Poland, published in the Zurich newspaper "Tagesanzeiger" and quoted by an agency yesterday, puts the Nazi ideology in a nutshell.

"In Cracow," the writer states, "Jews and Poles pay fifty per cent. more than before the war. They are forbidden to enter many streets and squares, and numerous shops and restaurants are open only to Germans. Except that debris has been cleared away from the streets Warsaw looks as though it was bombed only yesterday. Many people are still living in cellars in appalling conditions and there is no coal in the city. These quarters contain ten Catholic Churches and the High Court, and the Catholic Archbishop lives in one of them. The Poles general living conditions, it is added, are unfit for human beings. — British Wireless.

BRINDISI RAIDED

R.A.F. bombers made a successful attack on oil tanks and railways at Brindisi on Thursday night, it was stated by R.A.F. headquarters in Athens yesterday.

All bombs exploded in the target area. Large fires were started and subsequently there were several explosions. — Reuter.

Situation Near Point Of Insupportability

"THE REICH GOVERNMENT TAKES A SERIOUS VIEW OF UNITED STATES AID TO BRITAIN," THE SPOKESMAN OF THE GERMAN FOREIGN OFFICE DECLARED IN BERLIN YESTERDAY IN THE FIRST OUTSPOKEN COMMENT MADE BY GERMANY ON THE "SPEED-UP" IN UNITED STATES AID TO BRITAIN.

The spokesman emphasised that he spoke as the responsible representative of the Wilhelmstrasse, and added:

"We are watching with intense interest the attitude of the United States, which is showing restraint and friendliness to one belligerent and to the other uses pin-pricks, challenges, insults and moral aggression."

"THE SITUATION HAS ALMOST REACHED THE POINT OF INSUPPORTABILITY."

Meanwhile charges against three members of the United States Embassy in Paris of giving aid to British subjects are contained in a statement issued by the German news agency yesterday.

THE STATEMENT ADDS THAT GERMANY HAS DEMANDED THEIR RECALL. AND THE UNITED STATES STATE DEPARTMENT HAS ACQUIESCED AND STATED THAT THEY HAD ORDERED AN ENQUIRY INTO THE MATTER.

The name of Mrs. Degan, whose arrest was announced in America some time ago, is one of the three Embassy officials mentioned in the statement.

The statement alleges that Mrs. Degan and other employees of the Embassy assisted an English officer in his flight from the Germans and also that a British subject employed in the Intelligence Service was hidden for months in the building of the American Embassy in Paris. — Reuter.

Tripartite Pact

Articles in the German newspapers yesterday declared that any power attacking Germany, Italy or Japan would have to fight all three.

The Nazi press made a reference to "the great speech" of Mr. Molotov, which, it says, "made a grave impression in the United States, as intended."

The Nazi press also attacked smaller neutrals, the "Volkischer Beobachter" accusing Switzerland of maintaining a "dual standard of neutrality."

"One glance at the map," says the paper, "shows how astonishing this is."

The paper accuses the Swiss press of marking out Britain's victory is only a question of time and reporting British air successes as if they were "a Battle of the Marne." — Reuter.

DUKE OF GLOUCESTER COMMENDED

Major-General the Duke of Gloucester is among commands and staff whose names have been brought to notice "in recognition of distinguished services in connection with operations in the field."

The Duke, who was chief liaison officer to the British Expeditionary Force in France, was slightly wounded there.

For three successive days the Duke was in heavily bombed areas and in one attack received cuts caused by bomb explosions, both his hands being badly bruised.

Three D.S.O.'s were included in a long list of Army, Navy and Air Force honours announced yesterday. — Reuter.

CAROL GOING TO LISBON

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

Ex-King Carol of Rumania, who is now in Spain, was reported yesterday to be proceeding to Lisbon in the near future.

It is rumoured that Carol intends going to the United States. — International News Service.

POPE'S FIVE POINTS OF PEACE

THE ANGLICAN CHURCH AND THE FREE CHURCHES HAVE ACCEPTED THE POPE'S "FIVE PEACE POINTS."

The heads of the Churches state their acceptance in a letter to the London "Times" yesterday signed by the Archbishops of Canterbury and York, the Moderator of the Free Church Federal Council and by the Archbishop of Westminster, head of the Roman Catholic Church in Great Britain.

The five points, when first issued in the Pope's address to the College of Cardinals on Christmas Eve last year, are:—

Firstly, the right of all nations to independent existence.

Secondly, disarmament. Thirdly, some juridical invitation to guarantee and when necessary revise and correct international agreements.

Fourthly, adjustment as required of the just demands of nations, populations and minorities.

Fifthly, peoples and rulers to be guided by universal love. — Reuter.

RUMANIAN SENSATION

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

A sensation has been caused in Rumania by the reported escape of Marshal Smigly-Rids, former Commander-in-Chief of the Polish armies.

The Marshal, who crossed into Rumania after the collapse of Polish resistance, had been confined in a villa in the small village of Bracovslave.

The Rumanian authorities have arrested the police officer entrusted with guarding the Marshal. — International News Service.

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GREEKS CAPTURE NEW POSITIONS AND PRISONERS

NEW POSITIONS have been captured by the Greek forces and much war material taken, it was stated in a communique issued in Athens yesterday; 600 Italian officers and men were taken prisoners on Thursday.

The struggle continued with success, the communique added, the enemy being dislodged from his positions at the point of the bayonet.

The towns of Tepeleni and Kili-sani have been shelled by Greek artillery and, although some reports say the Italians have abandoned both places, they have not yet been occupied by the Greeks.

Flare fighting appears to be taking place in the coastal sector, where the Italians counter-attacked with tanks and armoured cars.

A Greek G.H.Q. communique issued last night reports fresh positions occupied after successful battles, adding that "A lieutenant-colonel is among prisoners taken."

British Wireless.

CHEUNG CHAU X'MAS PARTY

The children of Cheung Chau's foreign community made merry at a Christmas party on Friday evening in the Assembly Hall. Gay and original games were played before Father Christmas (Mr. D. O. Silver) came through the chimney place with a sack full of presents and sweets to distribute. Refreshments were exceptionally pleasing and delicious, and all returned home pleased and happy.

Many of the American residents are returning to America, some at the end of the month and others at the beginning of the New Year. Other missionaries are hoping to return to their stations in the interior as soon as transport is available, though travelling is dangerous at present.

SMOKING CONCERT
A Smoking Concert was held in the Reading Room of the Gloucester Hotel by the Warrent Officers and Sergeants' Club of the Royal Army Ordnance Corps last night when the leadership of Lieut. J. Sutcliffe, made its first public appearance.

Among the invited artists was Mr. G. D'Aquino, the well-known Portuguese tenor, who received great ovation.

Sergeant R. G. Geer of the Volunteers has been promoted to be Second Lieutenant.

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TROOPS CLOSING IN ON BARDIA

Italian Tenth Army Encircled

WITH FRESH REINFORCEMENTS ARRIVING FOR THE BRITISH ADVANCED MECHANISED UNITS WHICH ARE BESIEGING BARDIA, INCLUDING FURTHER AUSTRALIANS, THE BRITISH AND IMPERIAL FORCES ARE PREPARING FOR A TERRIFIC ON-SLAUGHT ON THE TOWN, ACCORDING TO LATEST REPORTS FROM THE WESTERN DESERT.

Although the exact disposition of the Italian forces is not known, reports from British outposts facing Bardia indicate that General Berti himself and part of the 10th Army are encircled within the village. It was believed earlier that General Berti had moved his headquarters to Tobruk a week ago.

Among the Italians' most formidable defences are many howitzers, with which they are trying to shell Sollum, 15 miles away from Bardia, presumably in case the British Navy is landing stores there.

Outer Line Pierced

British advanced units have pierced the outer defences of Bardia but no major breakthrough has been attempted yet.

The final word for the assault will most probably not be given until the risk of losses is at a minimum.

The weather in the desert is very cold, with an icy wind. British planes continue to bomb and machine-gun the coast road to Tobruk and Benina.

The reinforcements which have reached our troops round Bardia have greatly heartened the mechanised forces, who have been fighting continuously since the blitz began with only a few hours sleep each night and have lived on hard rations.

Minister's Tour

The Egyptian Prime Minister, Hussein Pasha Sirry, returned to Cairo yesterday—forty-eighth birthday—from a flying visit to the Western Desert front.

He was accompanied on his visit by the Minister of Defence and the Chief of General Staff of the Egyptian Army.

Yesterday morning the Premier represented King Farouk at the traditional ceremony of the Holy Carpet which is taken to Mecca every year in state by pilgrims as a covering for the celebrated Kaaba, or Black Stone.

Battlefield Souvenirs

The Premier and his party brought back with them souvenirs from the battlefield.

They were met on arrival in the Western Desert by Air Chief Marshal Longmore, commanding the R.A.F. in the Middle East, and Lt.-Gen. Wilson, commanding the British troops in Egypt, and were given a detailed account of the operations which resulted in the British victory.

They made an extensive tour from Sidi Barrani to Bugbug and examined large quantities of lorries and other war material captured.—Reuter.

Suicide Squads

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD") British mechanised assault troops on Friday night advanced into the inner defences of Bardia after a furious battle in which the Imperial forces smashed the town's outer fortifications.

Inside the defence lines are as many as 30,000 crack Italian troops, including a rear guard of "suicide" squads who are hemmed in and face apparent annihilation or surrender.

British artillery is smashing a way into the outskirts of the town which commands the westward route towards Tobruk.

Entirely unauthentic rumours that Graziani is rushing reinforcements toward Bardia drew this comment from the British military spokesman in Cairo: "Any attempts by an Italian column to push up the coastal road will meet with our forces who are now cutting off all approaches to Bardia."—International News Service.

Latest Communique

The Italian troops in beleaguered Bardia are still holding out against the British force which continues to be reinforced.

Yesterday's Cairo communique stated that while the enemy troops holding Bardia defences are being harassed by artillery fire, our forces, which continue to be reinforced, are clearing a way to the north-west and west, cutting off the last possible avenue of escape.

An additional 900 prisoners and four guns have been captured.

On the Sudan frontier our patrols continue their aggressive activity.

There is no change in the situation on the Kenya front.—Reuter.

HIRED COOLIES FOR PAPER RAID

Before Mr. H. G. Sheldon, K.C., yesterday, Kan Wai-man, 22, was sentenced to four months' hard labour for stealing two bales of paper, valued at \$223, from No. 7, On Lok Lane on December 18.

According to Sergeant J. Bentley, defendant engaged coolies to remove the paper out of the godown at about 5.30 p.m. Two Chinese detectives in patrol saw defendant holding a torch and a padlock. When approached he started to run but was arrested.

SNATCHER CAUGHT

While crossing Prince Edward Road yesterday afternoon, Mrs. H. A. Phillips, of No. 28, Kadoorie Avenue, had her handbag snatched. Chan Tin, station cooler employed at Mongkok Police Station, chased and arrested the snatcher.



When Hitler attempts to invade Britain he will certainly get a very warm reception from the men who man the coast defences. The Tommies in the picture have been issued with Tommy Guns and hand grenades.—(Copyright, Fox.)

ITALY'S NAVAL LAND-LUBBERS

THE USUALLY CLOSE consultation between the Axis partners appears to have suffered a hitch in the matter of explanation of British naval predominance in the Mediterranean—Mussolini's "mare nostrum."

The "Allgemeine Zeitung" states: "It is England's plan to crush Italy by blockading war supplies of oil of which Italy is short. Therefore the Italian navy's conduct is advantageous because the British Navy is anxious to avoid battle and Italian ships can therefore stay in harbour, saving large quantities of fuel."

This is the reason that only Italian destroyers, submarines and torpedo boats put out to sea. They consume only small quantities of oil and fuel. By staying home the larger ships, being among the biggest consumers of oil, help to relieve the pressure.

Rome's explanation, on the other hand, is linked with the explanation of Britain's victories in Libya.

The official "Aroli" estimated General Wavell's army some weeks ago at a quarter million men.

Presumably to explain the success of the British drive, the estimate has now been increased to 425,000 men and 1,500 'planes.

In Conjunction

"Aroli" adds: "These figures, taken in conjunction with the constant interception of our supplies by the British fleet, explain the difficulties which Graziani has encountered."

It would seem Italy prefers to save fuel than to save "mare nostrum."—British Wireless.

VARSAITY DISPLAY

The first annual gymnastic and drill display of Hong Kong University Union was held last night at the Eu Tong Sen Gymnasium and was well attended by a large crowd of spectators, who were treated to some clever Chinese dancing and gymnastics.

Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. Eu Tong-sen, Mr. D. J. Sloss, the Vice Chancellor, Lt.-Col. H. B. L. Dowling, Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo, Mr. and Mrs. Li Tse-tong, Rev. Gallagher, Hon. Mr. C. G. Purdie, and Professors R. Robertson, L. Forster and P. A. Redmond.

A long programme of 12 events, including three for ladies and one mixed event, was carried out without a hitch and did great credit to the instructors.

Miss F. J. Lee, the Union's Honorary Instructress, led the following girls in the ladies' events, while Mr. K. S. Lee, the Union's Instructor, led the men. Music was provided by Mr. S. S. Yu.

Among the ladies who participated were Misses B. Greaves, M. Safford, Z. Safford, A. Safford, H. Curran, M. Kohn, D. Hui, E. Hui, E. Chau, E. Hui, K. J. Hui, L. Lin, J. Lin, S. H. Wong, J. Woo, A. Ho, M. Chow, B. Wong, W. K. Li, F. Ma, M. W. Sum, E. Eu, D. Ho, L. Lo, Y. Lee and P. Ho.

Among the men who took part were G. Anant, Narayan Singh, Frederick Kwai, Liow Kong-sung, Chew Him-fah, Li Mankim, Lim Chew-awee, Lam Yung-seng, Young Yuh-wah, Goh Hooi-cheung, Fung Yin-leung, Fung Yin-kwan, Ong Hway-liang, Ong Guan-see and Tse Fung-sing.

B.M.A. MEETING

A meeting of the Hong Kong and China Branch of the British Medical Association will be held at 9.15 p.m. on Friday in the Union Council Chamber with the Hon. Dr. P. S. Selwyn-Clarke, President, in the chair.

Dr. E. W. Kirk will read a paper entitled "Medical Practice in Hong Kong in 1940."

All members of the British Medical Association are cordially invited to be present.



The D.F.M. was awarded recently to Acting Sergeant Ian Blair. When his pilot was killed over the Libyan desert he took control of the aircraft and flew it 350 miles back to the base. The citation of the award, the D.F.M., only two days after Blair's feat said: "By his courage, devotion to duty and determination he saved the lives of himself and his air gunner, as well as saving the aircraft. Blair had never flown a service aircraft before; after the pilot was killed the plane dived uncontrollably till Blair seized the controls. He and his gunner L.A.C. (now sergeant) C. F. Hankinson moved the body of the pilot and then Blair flew the machine home safely. Blair aged 22, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Blair of St. Vincent Street, Glasgow.—(Copyright, Fox.)

ROME CRISIS RUMOUR

Friction between the Fascist Party and the Italian army is increasing, according to a report appearing in the "New York Times" yesterday.

The report says there are persistent rumours in Italy that high Fascist leaders are about to fall.

There are widespread complaints among Italians about the lack of oil and coal and unsatisfactory conditions.

Posters appeared in the black-out inscribed "Down with Hitler!" and it is reported that several executions have been carried out on those responsible.

The "New York Times" says the German troops who have arrived in Italy were sent to coordinate the Italian war services, which are in danger of breaking down owing to sabotage.—Reuter.

FRATERNITY DANCE

Members of the Canton Chapter of the Alpha Lambda Fraternity in Hong Kong held their annual dinner at the Hong Kong Hotel on Friday night.

Dr. Konrad C. Hsu, toastmaster, expressed the hope that the next annual dinner of the Fraternity would be held in the Sun Yat-sen Memorial Hall in Canton.—Mr. Herbert J. Ho, retiring chairman, having delivered his "swan song," and the chairman elect, Dr. Timothy T. Mor, having given his "call of dawn," a very attractive programme was provided, beginning with the Fraternity song, Miss Rosabel Hsu, L.T.C.L., rendered solos on the piano, and other artists included Ernest K. Moy, Mrs. Percy Chen, Miss Pauline Chow, Mr. Liu Yu-wan, Miss Soo Chow, Mr. Kuo Chieh-hou, and Dr. Joseph Yu and partner.

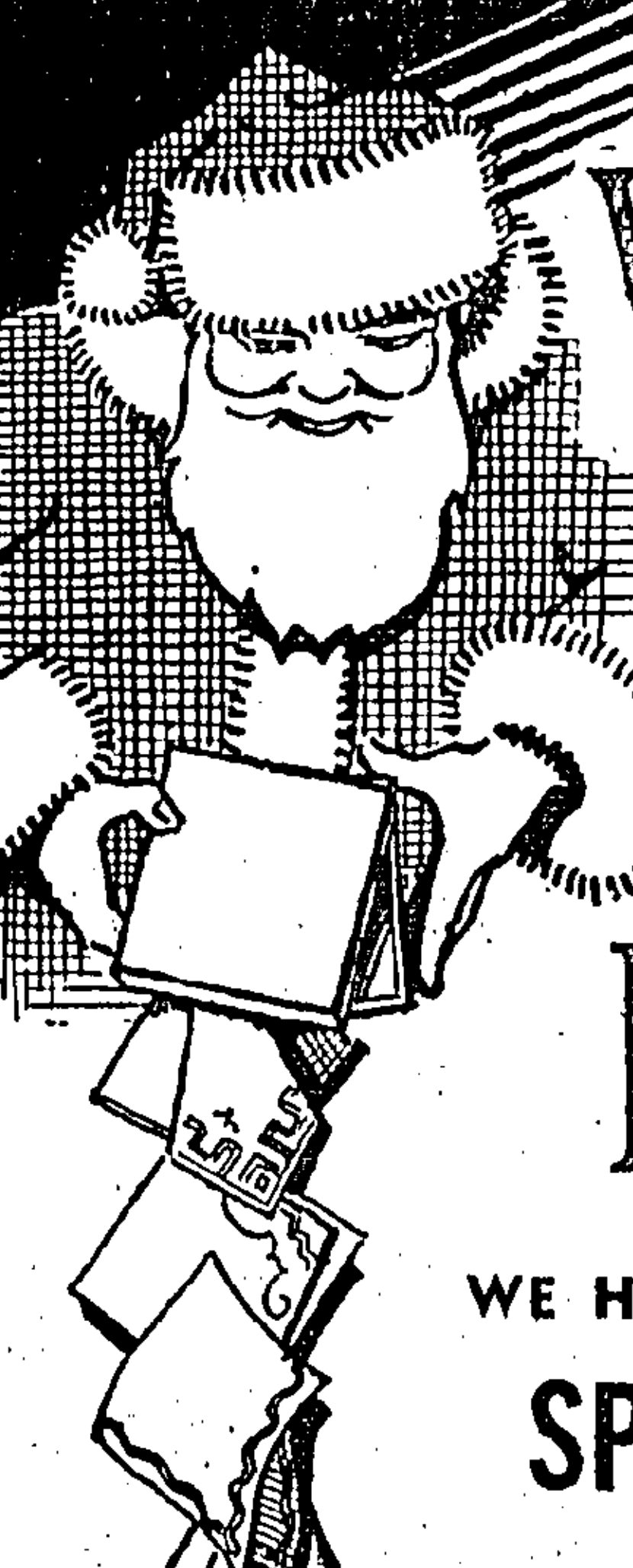
"FUNIETY" SHOW

Described as a novel form of entertainment, "Funiety," which is being presented in aid of the funds of the Hong Kong Society for the Protection of Children, is said to include many items of a style now to present any Hong Kong audience, and a few surprises.

The show is being produced by David Kossick, and he is supported by a strong cast of artists, many of whom were with him in "Vnuetun". Several dance numbers are being arranged by Nellie Field and Freddy Archer in charge of the vocal items.

"Funiety" is due to appear at the China Fleet Club Theatre on Friday, January 3, at 3.15 p.m. and booking is now open at Anderson's.

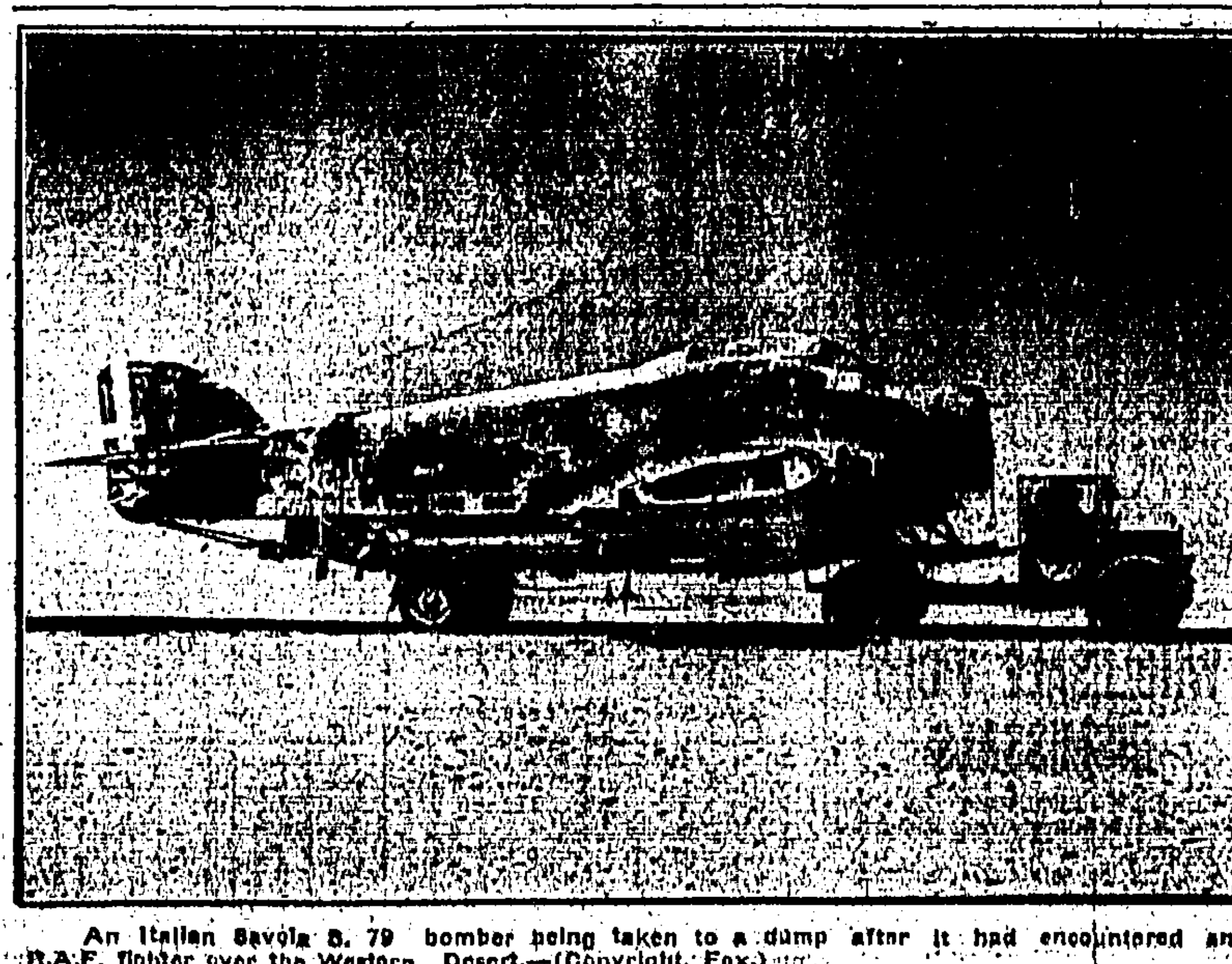
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An Italian Savoia S. 79 bomber being taken to a dump after it had encountered an R.A.F. fighter over the Western Desert.—(Copyright, Fox.)

Friction With Communists Admitted

THE COMMUNIST ARMY SITUATION HAS BECOME SO TENSE THAT SOME SOLUTION MUST BE FOUND; IN MANY PROVINCES, IN ADDITION TO FIGHTING AGAINST THE JAPANESE TROOPS, CHUNGKING GOVERNMENT TROOPS MUST DEAL WITH COMMUNIST INTERFERENCE, IT WAS STATED IN THE CHINESE CAPITAL YESTERDAY.

Finally the Government has decided to order all Communist forces, comprising the 18th Group Army and the new 4th Army, to move to new positions, so that there will be no further friction between the Government and Communist forces.

TRIBUTE TO THE GREEKS

Paying tribute to Greece in the course of a speech yesterday, Mr. Ernest Bevin said it was a matter of pride that a small nation with courage had turned the tide of war whereas Hitler and Mussolini had the destruction of small nations as their great objectives.

Speaking of pre-war Europe, Mr. Bevin said that if at any moment there had been a genuine desire on Germany's part to put aside the philosophy of domination and accept the principle of cooperation, Britain would have responded.

He could speak for the heart of the British people, he added, when he said there was no antagonism to a just revision of the Versailles Treaty and a cooperative attempt to secure a better standard of living and human association.

Six million unemployed which there had been in Germany before Hitler came to power had been absorbed by making weapons of destruction, and he concluded: "The great task which will lie before us when the war is finished is to weed out poverty, misery and unemployment by constructive methods and not by the professional means of destruction now in use." — British Wireless.

The Premier of the Punjab has left India for Egypt for a short visit to Indian troops on active service in the Middle East. — Reuter.

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Inspiration Of A Fine Example

"IT IS A DANGEROUS JOB, an honourable job, and an essential job for those who care for the safety and welfare of their fellow countrymen," declared His Excellency the Acting Governor, Lieutenant-General E. F. Norton, addressing the first full dress parade of the Hong Kong Corps of Air Raid Wardens on the Hong Kong Football Club ground yesterday afternoon.

An average week-end "football" crowd packed the stands surrounding the field, and included many leading European and Chinese personalities, representatives from the Navy, Army, the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps, the Police Force, the Air Force, the Consular Body, leading business firms, and relatives and friends of the wardens.

Assembled were over 2,500 wardens from nine Hong Kong Divisions and seven Kowloon Divisions, the latter travelling across the harbour in two special ferries to the Tsimshui Pier in Wanchai and marching to the field. They were under the command of Mr. C. E. Terry, Acting Chief Air Raid Warden for Kowloon.

His Excellency, accompanied by his A.D.C., Captain H. S. Batty-Smith, and Honorary A.D.C., Mr. Wong Sik-keung, was met by Wing-Commander A. H. Steele, Mr. Perkins, Director of A.R.P., Mr. B. H. Puckle, Deputy Director, and Mr. G. A. Pentreath, Chief Air Raid Warden (Hong Kong), the Director and Deputy-Director appearing in A.R.P. uniforms for the first time.

As the official party emerged from the central entrance of the main stand, the Parade was called to attention by the O.C., while the band of the Middlesex Regiment played the National Anthem and the Union Jack was broken.

His Excellency was then introduced to the Officer Commanding, Mr. C. E. Terry, after which he inspected the Parade.

On termination of the inspection, the Chief Air Raid Warden for Hong Kong on behalf of the Hong Kong Corps of Air Raid Wardens, made a presentation of two silver ash-trays with A.R.P. badge designs to His Excellency.

Governor's Speech
Addressing the parade, His Excellency said:—"I am very fully alive to the importance of this Corps."

We have now considerable experience of the meaning and methods of modern war and we realise that the A.R.P. Wardens and A.R.P. personnel generally are emphatically front line troops, they are the fourth arm of the Service but will generally be the first into action and I would hazard a guess that their proportion of casualties in England today is higher than those incurred up-to-date in the regular army. It is a dangerous job, an honourable job, and an essential job for those who care for the safety and welfare of their fellow countrymen."

Here in Hong Kong the Air Raid Wardens Corps is representative of all races and races; it is purely a voluntary organisation and I know well how much hard work, loss of leisure and even financial loss, is entailed in training for your duties in war.

It is very satisfactory that, thanks to the energy of a number of public-spirited men, the Corps, starting from last March, has quickly attained its present strength of 3,200; but we must

not lose sight of the fact that we want as many again and I hope that the inspiration of your fine example will be sufficient to stimulate the voluntary recruitment of the balance required.

Big Part To Play

I am well pleased to hear that the discipline of the Corps is excellent and I know it to be inspired with the best possible spirit. When peace is restored I have a feeling that this great movement may well prove the germ of a most useful organisation for application to the problems of reconstruction of peace for we can hardly waste the opportunity offered by a body of some of the most public-spirited men and women in the Colony, trained, disciplined, and organised.

I want to congratulate all officers on the interest which they have shown in the welfare of their Wardens and to the instructors for the many hours they have freely given to train you in your duties.

Whether the issue be peace or war you may all of you be proud in the knowledge that Hong Kong trusts you and is grateful to you and that you have a big part to play in the future of the Colony.

HYDERABAD SQUADRON SCORE 100

TEN THOUSAND MILES FROM BRITAIN IN THE INDIAN STATES OF HYDERABAD AND SECUNDERABAD NEWS OF THE LATEST SUCCESS OF THE R.A.F. FIGHTER COMMAND IS EAGERLY AWAITED. FOR THE PEOPLE THERE HAVE A PERSONAL INTEREST IN THE AIR WAR—AN INTEREST HEIGHTENED BY CLOSE ASSOCIATION WITH TWO OF THE R.A.F. SQUADRONS NOW HELPING TO BEAT THE LUFTWAFFE.

An earlier gift of £150,000 from the Nizam of Hyderabad which went to form a squadron of Spitfires, has been followed by another gift of £100,000 subscribed by the people of Hyderabad and Secunderabad.

The money has been used to "adopt" another fighter unit—the "State of Hyderabad Squadron" of Hurricanes. These squadrons have together shot down more than one hundred enemy aircraft in the defence of Britain.

At present the Nizam's squadron has the bigger bag of over 64 enemy machines destroyed by the State of Hyderabad Squadron, in addition to shooting down nearly forty in home defence, were also in action in France.

24 in 10 Days

In ten days in August the Nizam's squadron accounted for more than 24 German aircraft. That was when the enemy were concentrating attacks mainly on the South Coast—attacks which cost them many machines and airmen.

In England, the "People's" Squadron did some of their best work when the Germans attempted to bomb British advanced air bases. On one occasion they shot down eight German machines in one day.

While the Nizam's Squadron was busy protecting Bristol on Sept. 27 the "People's" Squadron was attacking large enemy formations which were attempting to penetrate the London area.

The R.A.F. no less than the people of India, are proud of the "Hyderabad" squadrons and with good reason, for they have rendered valiant service. — British Wireless.

"FOUND" A PAIR OF SPECTACLES

Six weeks' hard labour was imposed on Chan Kam-sui, 34, by Mr. G. T. Lowry, yesterday for stealing a pair of spectacles by finding.

Mr. W. Golding, of Gloucester Building, lost his spectacles in shop in Queen's Road Central. Defendant was later found to be in possession of the spectacles.

BOGUS SHROFF

Li Hec, 28, was charged before Mr. G. T. Lowry yesterday, with obtaining \$23.47 by false pretences on November 30.

Defendant, pretending to be a fook of the Sun Fat Kee Fish Company, collected \$23.47 from the master of a shop in Morrison Street.

Three months' hard labour was imposed.

TWO TOWNS ON COAST OF EIRE BOMBED

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

Bombs were dropped by two "unidentified" warplanes on Friday night on two towns on the east coast of Eire, the port of Dunleary (Kingstown) and the inland town of Carrickmacross, it was announced in Dublin yesterday.

Two casualties and some property damage were caused. — International News Service.

RAILWAY SECRET

A TOTAL OF 97 PASSENGER-TRAIN SERVICES ON THE MAIN ITALIAN RAILWAY LINES HAD BEEN CANCELLED UP TO FRIDAY EVENING.

This is an increase of 53 on the previous day's figure of 44 cancelled services.

The official reason in Rome is "shortage of coal," but according to the Swiss paper "Demokrat" it is actually because German soldiers are travelling on the railway over the Brenner Pass. — Reuter.

JAPANESE TENDER AN "APOLOGY" ---SO SORRY!

DISPLAY OF the Japanese flag over the United States flag, and the swastika over the Union Jack, on a Japanese float participating in the parade marking the fifth anniversary of the Philippines Commonwealth at Davao on November 15, was unintentional and an inadvertent misdemeanour of Japanese residents due to their ignorance of Philippine flag laws and international proceedings.

So declared the Japanese Consul-General in Manila, Mr. Mori, in a letter addressed to the Philippine Secretary of Interior on December 7 and made public in Manila yesterday.

Describing Japanese participation in the celebration as a sincere and honest desire to join in the happiness of their Philippine brothers and sisters, Mr. Mori profoundly regretted that such expression of feeling was misinterpreted as an insult to the United States.

He declared he hoped the existing friendship and understanding between the Philippines and Japan would in no way be marred by the incident and would be further enhanced despite "malicious anti-Japanese propaganda spread by certain elements" in the Philippines. The incident was ordered to be investigated by the United States authorities.

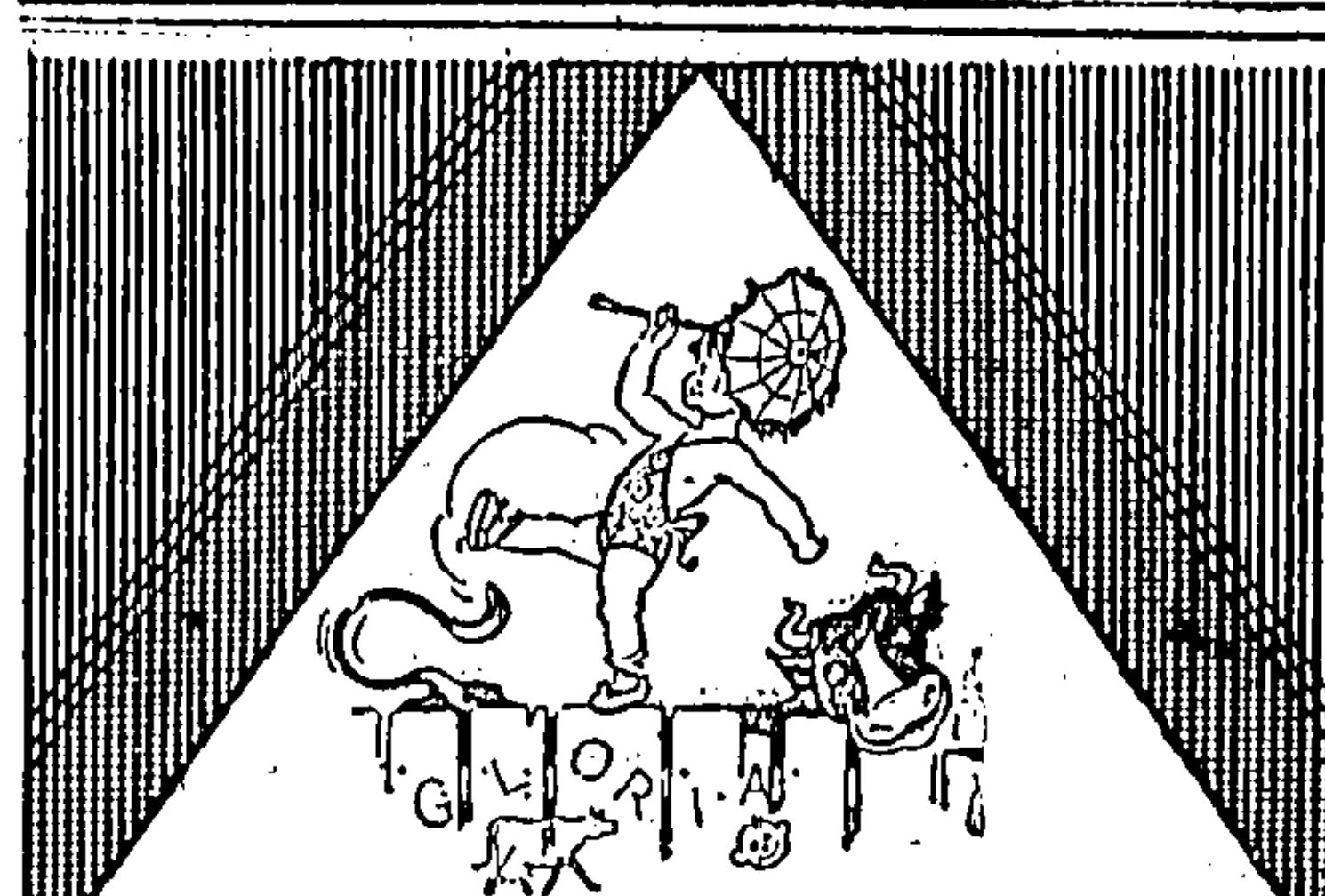
Mr. Mori's letter was made public by the office of Senior Manuel Quezon, the President, without comment. — Reuter.

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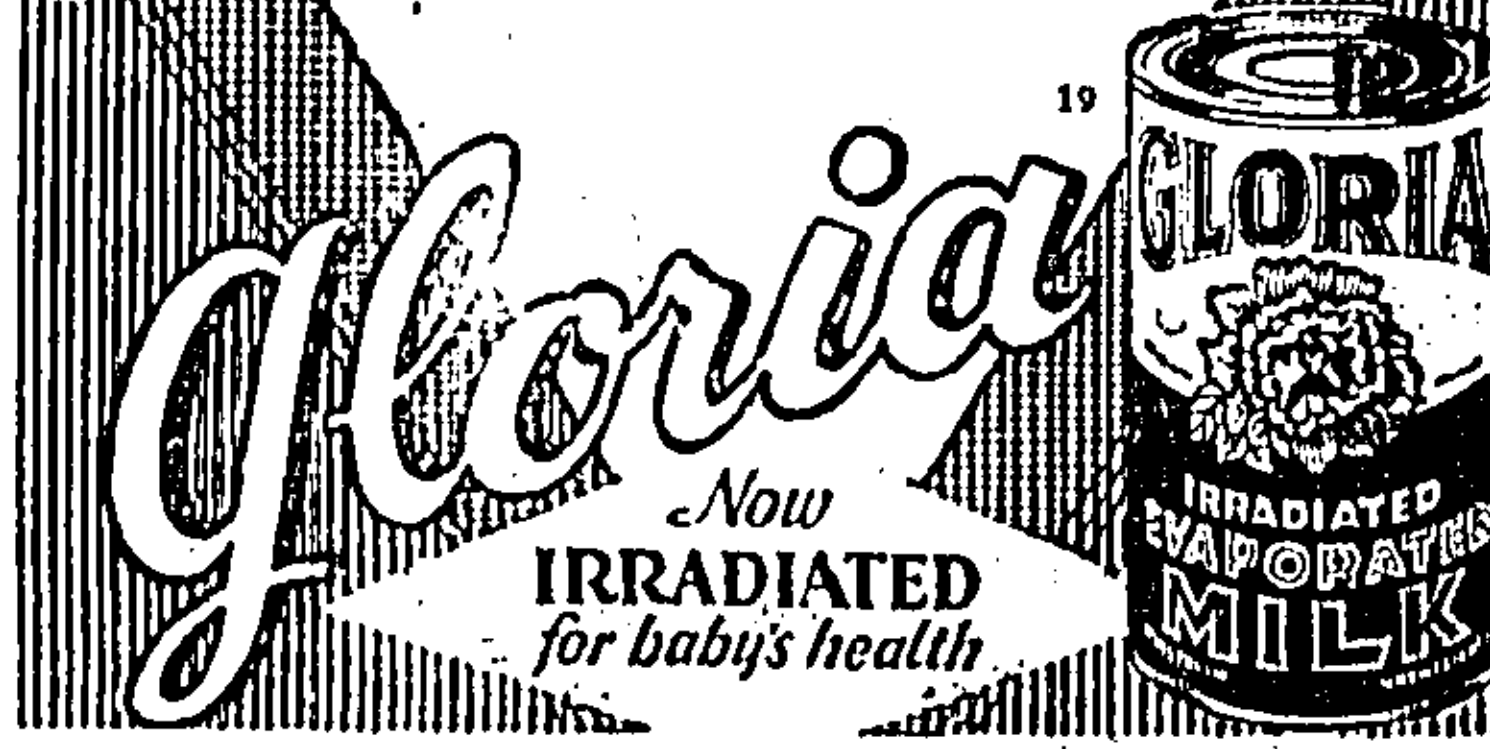


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Wah Yan's Prize Giving

COINCIDES WITH ITS COMING OF AGE

WAH YAN COLLEGE'S prize day yesterday was of special interest since the College "came of age" only a few days ago and special reference to the great progress made since the school started with only "one master and four pupils" was made by speakers during the ceremony.

In addition to the various reports and the distribution of prizes by Dr. S. N. Chau, M.B., B.S., D.O.M.S., D.I.O. (London), pupils of the school put on a well-presented play in three acts (and a total of 11 scenes), "The Wounded Soldier," composed and directed by the Rev. H. E. Craig, S.J.

The Rev. Father Gallagher, Prefect of Studies, reporting on the activities of the year, said, in part—

"Last Monday Wah Yan came of age. Founded by Mr. Peter Taul on December 10, 1910, it began very modestly with one master and four pupils. The enthusiasm of Mr. Taul and later of Mr. Lim Ily Lan worked wonders, and within a very few years the College was made a grand old school, and ranked amongst the best in the Colony. The Jesuit Fathers were, in 1932, invited to assume control and formally took charge on December 22 of that year."

"During the 21 years, 7,027 boys have had their names inscribed on the roll of the College, and of these 601 are with us now. On our staff are many old Wah Yan boys, and more are in the Teachers Training College preparing to carry on the good work in their Alma Mater."

"The maximum enrolment during the year was 553 (distributed over 23 classes) and the attendance averaged 95.3 per cent. Taking into consideration that many boys left towards the end of June this percentage is very satisfactory. After the summer holidays the number of classes was cut down by eliminating the "B" division of Classes 3, 4, 5, & 7. This was done in spite of the fact that nearly 700 boys sat for the two entrance examinations and that we had to refuse nearly 500. An additional section of Class 2 was formed, so that we now have 22 classes catering for 601 students. Since September 1st the average attendance has been 97.5 per cent."

MATRICULATION RESULT

"Matriculation—28 students were presented and 19 passed with 10 distinctions, giving the school just under 70 per cent. of passes."

"Scholarships were given by the school to the boy in each form who got first place in the work of the whole year, i.e. in the weekly tests, the Christmas and Final Examinations, unless he elected to take double promotion, in which case the scholarship was given to the next best."

FORTUNATE POSITION

The Headmaster, the Very Rev. E. Bourke, who followed said—

"For many years you have been accustomed to listen to Fr. Gallagher, as

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GOVERNMENT PLAN TO GUARANTEE RICE SUPPLIES

GOVERNMENT PLANS FOR ENSURING ADEQUATE REGULAR SUPPLIES OF RICE TO THE COLONY HAVE REACHED A MORE ADVANCED STAGE, THOUGH FINAL DETAILS HAVE NOT YET BEEN COMPLETED, THE "SUNDAY HERALD" WAS AUTHORITY-ILY INFORMED YESTERDAY.

It is understood that it is not at present the intention of Government to turn importers, but the steps proposed seek to ensure that supplies come forward in sufficient quantity to supply all the local needs of Hong Kong

importers.

Negotiations for regular consignments from Bangkok are stated to be in progress with the Government of Thailand, and it is anticipated that an immediate reduction in the retail price fixed by the Food Controller will be possible when the negotiations are satisfactorily concluded.

ECONOMY SAVINGS

Economy savings in Yunnan reached more than \$16,400,000 yesterday, exactly one month after the organisation of the province's Economy Saving Society.

This sum exceeds the goal set for the Society. It is now anticipated that the final total will be well over \$25,000,000.—Central News.

Chinese New Year Petition

"THE CHINESE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE HAS PETITIONED GOVERNMENT THROUGH THE SECRETARIAT FOR CHINESE AFFAIRS, TO POSTPONE ENFORCEMENT OF THE IMMIGRATION REGULATIONS UNTIL FEBRUARY 15, 1941," STATED MR. NG CHAK-WA, VICE-CHAIRMAN OF THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, YESTERDAY.

Mr. Ng explained that enforcement of the regulations before the Chinese New Year would entail hardship to merchants in neighbouring towns and villages who year after year have regularly come to Hong Kong to sell their goods at the different fairs.

The Chinese New Year is also the time for settling accounts. Merchants coming to Hong Kong to collect monies due to them and merchants leaving Hong Kong for the same purpose will be greatly handicapped should Government enforce the Ordinance before the yearly festival.

Mr. C. H. D. Curtoys, residing at the Peninsula Hotel, has reported the theft of \$180 from his pocket between 9.30 p.m. on Friday and 1.30 a.m. yesterday.



Mr. & Mrs. Lee Tat photographed after their wedding at the Registry, Supreme Court, during the week. The bride was the former Miss Ng Wai Hing. (Chun Shun Mee Studio).

CENTENARY STAMPS DELAYED

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

The special postage stamps designed to commemorate Hong Kong's Centenary, which were due to arrive last week, have not yet been received. Mr. R. A. D. Forrest told the "Sunday Herald" yesterday.

Mr. Forrest added that it was not known whether the stamps will arrive in time for sale in January.

Stamps were to have reached Hong Kong in the middle of December.

It is understood that the Centenary Stamps will be in the denominations of two-cents, four-cents, five-cents, 15-cents, 25-cents and one-dollar.

Rector of Wah Yan, addressing you on his first day. Today you heard him in his capacity as Prefect of Studies. It is rarely in these parts that a headmaster finds a former headmaster on his staff. That is my position and I am particularly pleased to be in it. It is due to the system that prevails in our Society, in which it is not usual for a Rector to continue for a long term of office without an interval.

The report which you have heard with its lists of very fine successes, is a fitting close to Fr. Gallagher's term of office. Ever since he took over the management of the College there has been a steady growth in all branches of school work and activity. It would be a long enumeration if I were to state all that Wah Yan owes to him. Those who have been with him here will long remember him as sincerely energetic, versatile, kind, charitable. He brings these qualities and many more with him in his new position as Prefect of Studies.

If I think you will agree with me that the successes in studies, especially in the Matriculation Examinations, were remarkable. To have secured two King Edward Scholarships, nominations for two Government Scholarships, and a first place, shows that with good material Wah Yan can produce brilliant results. I am particularly pleased that 28 out of 28 students presented for Matric passed in Chinese. I take this opportunity of paying tribute to the Chinese masters, Mr. Lo Mo To and Mr. Lo Kwok Yuen, who are mainly responsible. I should like parents to note that it is useless for them to ask to have their sons sent away to school here in the East if it seems to me that the greatest obstacles to the complete education of the young come from influences not under our control. We have to be reconciled therefore to seeing many of our students passing from Wah Yan whose education is very incomplete. The work we have done for them resembles the work of a sculptor who was asked by a lady to carve a beautiful statue of her grandson, but it was to have no head.

It is a joy to us to see an ever increasing number of our students, who leave Wah Yan, who have benefited by what we have to give them. Young men they are who have a philosophy founded on the supernatural brotherhood of all men, who have the highest ideals enshrined in their hearts, and who intend to imitate in their lives the Model which their Creator has given them for imitation.

In conclusion, I thank you for coming to our meeting. I thank the staff for their great devotion to duty. I thank Dr. Chau for coming to distribute the prizes. It took me a long time to get him to overtake his car and agree to appear in public. He knows so much about the human eye that he fears having a thousand of them focused on him all at once.

"I wish you all a joyful Christmas."

A fine of \$30 was imposed on Luk Yin-chun, 27, married woman, by Mr. G. T. Lowry for bringing an unregistered mutton into the Colony.

RECRUITING OF STREET GUARDS

Some 200 recruits for the proposed contingent of Street Guards are shortly to undergo training at the Police Training School, it was learned yesterday.

The training course will last three weeks, after which recruits will be assigned to duty by Central Police Headquarters, under whose control they will be.

The men have been recruited from 10 of the main thoroughfares in Victoria and Kowloon.

More are being recruited.

REVENUE HIGH OVER ESTIMATE

Indications that Government's revenue in the current financial period (January 1, 1940 to March 31, 1941) will considerably exceed the estimates are emphasised by the figures to the end of September, published yesterday.

Ordinary receipts at \$33,800,184 were \$3,500,000 above those for the corresponding period of 1939, while special war taxation brought in a further \$2,781,442.

Assuming the level of revenue is maintained for the remainder of the financial period, the estimate of ordinary revenue is likely to be exceeded by between \$3,000,000 and \$4,000,000.

Nearly \$9,000,000 had been collected in nine months from duties against an estimate of \$13,500,000 for 15 months. Internal Revenue totalled \$3,423,788 in nine months against an estimate of \$5,250,000 for fifteen months, and Fees of Court etc. already totalled \$4,545,804 against an estimate of \$5,488,100.

Normal expenditure over the first nine months of the year was \$3,400,000 less than the ordinary revenue, and when special war expenditure and revenue are added, the surplus is \$1,650,000.

The surplus balance of the Colony after large special payments to the war chest have been approved now stands at \$18,734,673.

14 OF 18 YEARS SPENT IN GAOL

Credited with 11 previous convictions, Wong Sin, alias Wong Lok, who has served 14 years' imprisonment in the last 18 years was sentenced to six months' hard labour by Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen at Kowloon yesterday for burglary.

Accused broke into No. 40, Tal Nam Street.

Mr. A. E. Perry, of No. 13, Homan Street, has reported that an overcoat and other articles, valued at \$55.21, were stolen from his residence on Friday morning.

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America's Problem In World Crisis

A SOBER and candid estimate of the situation must, it seems to me, lead to the conclusion that the issue in the months immediately before us is not whether as a matter of business or sentimental philanthropy or partial self-defence the United States should sell or lend or give a little more or a little less assistance to Great Britain. The issue is not whether a little less assistance will "keep America out" of war or a little more assistance will "draw her in" in the present war. The issue is whether before it is too late America can and will take the necessary measures to prevent the present war—a war in which we are not called upon to fight—from developing into a new and greater war in which we shall have to fight.

This is the real issue. But it is not being made plain because the responsible and informed men who understand the situation are still silenced by the fairly large number of sincere but uninformed men who have never at any time in the last few years understood this war. At a time when only positive measures clearly and resolutely undertaken, and backed by the utmost unified effort, can protect America against involvement in an immense war, the Administration and the Congress and the nation are paralysed by the deadly error that if a little help is given Great Britain she may win, but that if we do not help her enough and she fails, then there will be peace, an unpleasant peace no doubt but nevertheless a peace.

The notion that the defeat of Britain would end the war and bring peace is now held by the very same people who have been telling us (1) that there would be no war, (2) that if there were a war, it would be waged against Bolshevik Russia, (3) that when the war began, it was a phoney war, (4) that if it was not a phoney war, it would be a stalemate in which Hitler never took the offensive, (5) that when he took the offensive and defeated France, the defeat of Great Britain would follow in a few weeks, (6) that when he did not defeat Britain, he would in any event "unify" and "organise" the Continent of Europe, and so by a sensible means achieve a desirable end, (7) that even if he has failed to unify Europe, the war would come to an end if the British are defeated. This last illusion is complete, and as regards America more deadly, than all the illusions which preceded it in the series. For the certain truth is that the collapse of Britain, or even the defeat of Britain in one or more of the great theatres of the war, would be like the breaking of a dam which has been holding back a raging flood. The torrent of war would burst out upon all the oceans and into all the continents.

For, though this is now a very serious war in northern Europe, in the eastern Mediterranean, and in China, it is still for Americans a localised and limited war. The Axis cannot get into America or Asia or into any part of this hemisphere and Japan is held back in the Pacific. The totalitarian allies are held back by the resistance of the British and their allies in Europe and the Near East, by the resistance of China and by the reserve power of the British, the Dutch and America in the Pacific. They are held back, they are held down, in the grip of British sea power in Europe and the threat of American sea power in the Pacific. In this confined war America is not compelled to fight and as long as the war can be held within these limits, may never have to fight. The thing which keeps war clear is the power which keeps the war from expanding all over the world. The dam which restricts the war, and therefore enables us to arm without fighting, is a great fortified line—fortified by warships, aeroplanes, British and allied land forces, the Chinese armies, the British, Dutch, and American power in the Pacific. This line runs around the world from the British Isles to Gibraltar to Suez to Singapore to Hawaii to Panama, and on the other side of it the Nazis, the Italian Fascists, and the Japanese expansionists are held back.

Thus if the Axis can isolate the British Isles by blockade and bombardment, the British cannot hope to hold Gibraltar, Suez, any part of northern Africa or the Middle East, or any position in the Far East. The road to South America will be wide open; the road to the Indies and Australia will be wide open. For with the forces America has the best is could be hoped to do would be to hold Hawaii and Panama, and that

would be a desperate task because of a hostile and victorious and immensely powerful alliance in both oceans.

Britain might have to bring back all their forces from all over the world to resist a single-minded concentrated assault on the British Isles, and we should have to bring all our forces back for the immediate defence of Hawaii, Panama, Canada, and our nearest neighbours.

If there are no forces left to oppose the Japanese in the Pacific

BY WALTER LIPPMANN

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or the Germans and Italians in Africa and the South Atlantic, is it conceivable that with the richest empire ever opened to a conqueror before them, they will not seize the opportunity? Here they are fighting desperately to conquer relatively barren and already overcrowded territories in Europe and Asia, and yet there are men who tell us that if Asia, Africa and South America were at their mercy, they would turn their backs upon these unbelievably

great prizes of empire and would amuse themselves constructing a "united Europe."

During the campaigns of the year 1941 it will be determined whether the war can be kept localised by the resistance of the British and their allies, or whether the dam is to break and the war is then to overrun the rest of the world. The outcome of the campaigns of 1941 will be determined not only by the power and valour of the British and the Chinese but by the lucidity and courage America is able to muster in the next few weeks and months. The American problem is how to use all the resources we now possess to make certain that the lines will hold fast through 1941; only then can we be sure of the time needed to develop the armaments which will insure an Allied victory and our own security—they are the same thing—beginning in 1942.

Therefore in 1941, it is our vital interest, and not a matter of business, sentiment or charity, to insist that the lines hold and that the dam does not break. We have said that we shall take all measures "short of war," the preservation of the line which now separates us from the existing war, to any one who looks at the substance and not at the words, the only way in which our involvement can remain short of war. When there is no longer a firm buffer between ourselves and the three allied aggressors, then our defence will no longer be by measures short of war but by actual and total war.

The criterion, therefore, of what is a measure short of war is not whether under the rules of international law, the measure is "an act of war." By that criterion the totalitarian states have already committed acts of war against us and we against them. They have broken their treaties, they have intervened by spies and agents in our affairs, they have trampled upon the rights of our citizens; we on our part have openly helped their enemies and have declared war on them. By any academic and theoretical test, everybody is already committing acts of war.

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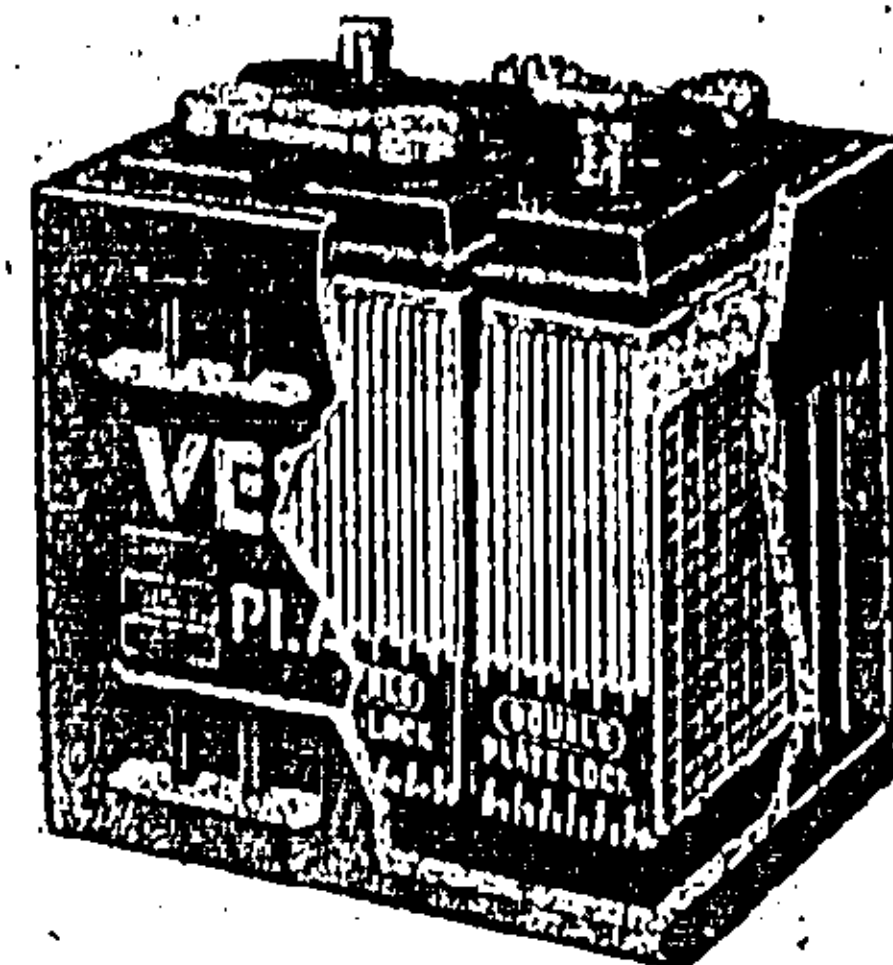
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BONNOT's father, Colonel G. Bonnot, officer of the Legion d'Honneur, had a distinguished career in the last war. Wounded three times, Colonel Bonnot, then Major, distinguished himself throughout his period of service. He was mentioned in the dispatches of the French High Command six times and was awarded the Croix de Guerre with six palms. In addition, he was decorated with the Military Cross and the Order of Leopold.

COLONEL Bonnot started his military career by entering the famous French school of infantry at Saint Cyr—which was transformed by Napoleon in 1806 from a seminary into a school for infantry and cavalry cadets—and by the end of the Great War, Colonel Bonnot was a General Staff Officer. That is a record of which any officer might be proud. And M. Bonnot leaves Hong Kong with the knowledge that in his veins runs the blood of the type of French officer who beat the Germans in the last war and who, under General De Gaulle, is going to do it again.

M. BONNOT is the second French resident of this Colony to join General De Gaulle, and more will be following him. Since the local committee of "France Libre" was formed in Hong Kong, 17 volunteers have been enlisted and looked after, at a cost of over \$3,000. Six more volunteers are awaiting transport, all ready to see action with the Free French forces.

INCIDENTALLY, the local "France Libre" committee is expecting that in the near future, with the appointment of a representative of General De Gaulle in Singapore, it will be able to do more and to be able to work in closer cooperation with other similar committees in the Far East.

Dellie Ellis

"GIRLS Under 21," a Columbia film just released in New York, will be of special interest to Hong Kong film-goers because one of the important parts in it is taken by a young Hong Kong lassie, 13-year old Dellie Ellis, former pupil at the Central British School. When she left the Colony a couple of years ago with her mother, she had no intention of entering the "movies," but, like everyone who visits Hollywood and stays a while, she took a few screen-tests, and, having passed them successfully, she found herself in "pictures."

"Girls Under 21" is her first film, and from all accounts reaching us she does a good bit of work with a small but important part.

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powerful portrayal is contributed by Miss Ellis, cast as the student who tries to become a regular member of the gang until accidentally killed. "Variety" does not hesitate over not pulling its punches when occasion arises; in the same issue is a criticism of a play in which the critic bluntly says that it "opened and closed in a hurry because the show was unbalanced. There were more people on the stage than there were in the audience." So praise from "Variety" is praise indeed.

DELLIE Ellis is Hong Kong's second major contribution to Hollywood—the first, of course, being Wendy Barrie, who was born here in 1913 and has taken quite a few starring roles, notably in "The Saint" series with Simon Templar—we beg pardon, George Sanders. After winning an amateur contest conducted by Radio Station XHHA, Shanghai, in June 1937, Dellie came down to Hong Kong, and soon made quite a name for herself in local stage circles.

HER really big performance was in a variety revue produced by her mother, Ann Ellis, at the

day, at the age of 13, she seems well on the way to success. "Girls Under 21" produced by Ralph Cohn, is now showing at the Globe Theatre, New York, and according to "Variety," the film, though based on the familiar screen fable of the reformation of hard-boiled youngsters from city slums, is "well above the level of the well-known care history on metropolitan juvenile delinquents." Its special features are "several deft characterisations and sparkling dialogue," as well as the original approach and angles. The film stars Bruce Cabot, Rochelle Hudson and Paul Kelly. Dellie, says "Variety," is the "steege for female toughies."

Thanks For The "Lift"

IN America, "thumbing a ride" is quite de rigueur on the long, lonely roads of that vast country, but in these here parts it is seldom that one even tries it, let alone actually being able to get someone to stop in response to a waving thumb. Hence our astonishment at a little incident on Stubbs Road last Sunday morning.



DELLIE ELLIS

Queen's Theatre in November that same year under the auspices of the Hong Kong Y. Men's Club, the proceeds for which went in aid of the North China War Relief Fund. Five months later, she left with her mother for Hawaii and the United States on a campaign for China war relief funds, particularly for the war orphans.

THIS, too, was under the auspices of the Y. Men's Club, and the put in a very intensive and successful—fortnight's work in Honolulu. This included radio appeals, businessmen's luncheons, the opening of a new Adult Education Building in the Nuuanu Y.M.C.A. and an inaugural ball held in the latter building. At this function, she sang "Laugh your way through life," and received a great ovation. Four special performances featuring Dellie Ellis were then staged at the Goldwyn Theatre, through the efforts of the Chinese Consul-General and other leading Chinese. These performances were for the benefit of the war orphans, and, according to word from Hawaii, her every appearance resulted in ovations and a wide popular response.

IN recognition of her work and the cooperation of her mother, the Chinese Consul-General at Hawaii called in the leaders of the Chinese community for a special dinner in their honour, culminating a very successful fortnight.

BESIDES taking part in all these functions, Dellie yet found time to swim at sunny Waikiki, to learn to speak Hawaiian and to study the interpretative "hulas" under such capable teachers as Nabua Stevens, a star performer, and Clara Inter, a well-known interpreter of comical "hulas." In addition, Dellie was so universally popular that she and her mother were showered with invitations to private functions and parties.

THEY arrived in San Francisco in August, 1938, but were unable to get really started, with their plans for a nation-wide campaign for funds owing to the fall of Canton a few months later. The sudden (though, as the Japanese soon found, temporary) collapse of resistance in South China rather disheartened those Dellie and her mother and expected to help them with the campaign.

THEY liked California, however, and so decided to stay there for a while. Dellie's vivacity and charm soon making her very popular with the movie folk, including the late Douglas Fairbanks Sr., who took an especial interest in her. She decided to have a screen-test, passed it—and to

the "fun" element is left to the fore—brings about great changes.

ONE special game devised to teach the children how to relax properly is "Sharks and Jelly-fish." The children run and jump about, and then, when the music stops suddenly, they throw themselves on the floor and pretend to be asleep. The teacher of the class moves around, picking up legs and dropping them. If the leg is heavy and falls with a noise—meaning that the muscles are completely relaxed—the child is a "Shark." But if it bounces up or moves back without making a noise—due to the fact that the muscles are not relaxed—the child is a "Jelly-fish!"

Hobbies

FUNNY things some people collect. Match-box covers, for example. Here's a letter received by the "China Mail" from Chicago, Illinois, during the course of the week:

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THIS "good office" is afraid that amid the whirl of getting out editions and supplements and other articles, etc. it is unable to supply collectors with match box covers, stamps, old coins, autographed photographs of stars, or any other such artistic subject of collection. If there are any match-box collectors in town, however, they might like to get in touch with Chicago, Illinois.

Enjoy Yourself

WORD down from Shanghai is to the effect that people who go to Japan for a holiday these days are handed the following instructions before they go ashore in the land of Toile, Temples and Tall Talk:

"Don't attempt to take pictures in Japanese waters."

"Don't attempt to go ashore in Japanese ports without a passport containing a Japanese visa."

"Don't attempt to take any books into Japanese ports containing chapters on the present Sino-Japanese incident."

"Don't attempt to take more than Yen 200 on your person. Any time officials. Any unnecessary comments during quarantine inspection may result in serious trouble to the person making such remarks."

"Don't misrepresent the amount of Yen on your person. Any evasions or incorrect statements will result in serious trouble."

"You are strictly warned against the carrying of cameras, taking photographs or making sketches along the Japanese sea coast. Offenders will be prosecuted, cameras confiscated and films destroyed. Cameras may not even be carried on board ship or ashore while in Japanese waters."

SO far, so good (comparatively speaking); but after reading through this mass of threats and taboos one is confronted with the following:—"Enjoy your visit to Japan." Which raises the interesting question:—HOW? "Don't" No. 5, incidentally, is presumably directed at those who make ribald comments when asked "How many children have you?" just after they have replied "No" to the question "Are you married?"

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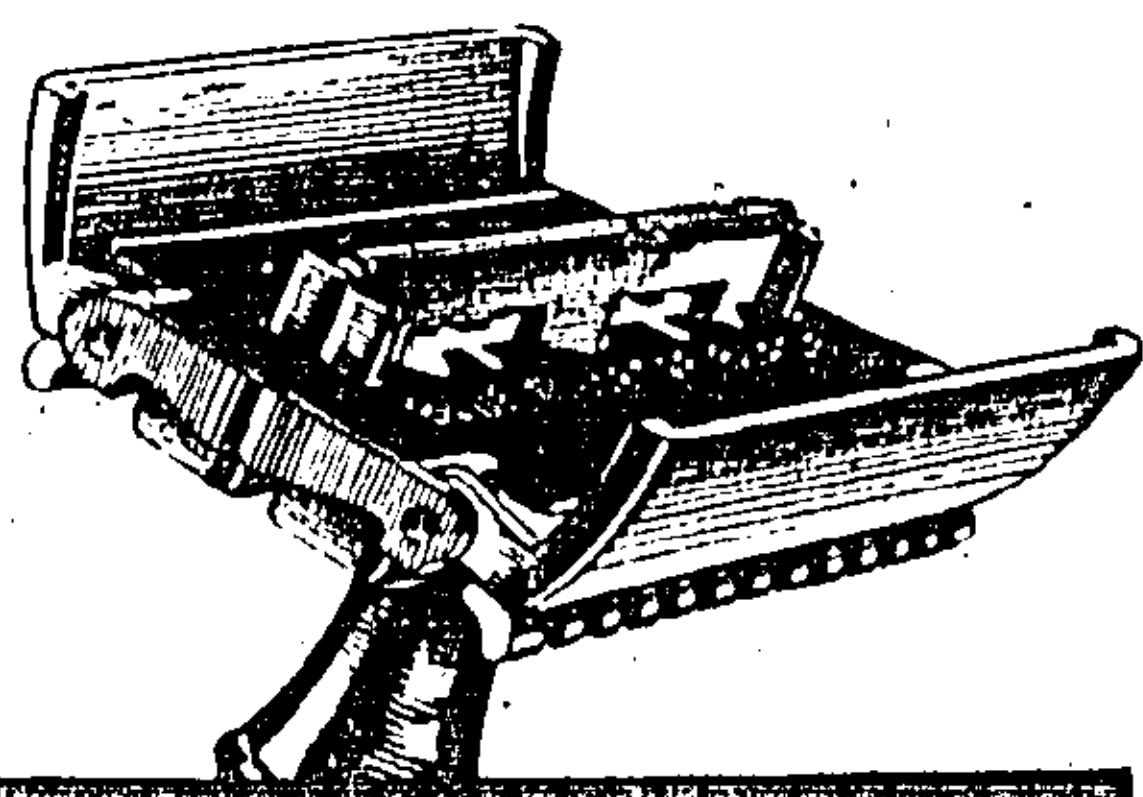
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The Vast "X" Of Soviet Russia

RUSSIA to-day is the enigma, the vast "X" of a Europe in transition. Is Joseph Stalin an ally of Adolf Hitler, prepared to participate in new schemes for the partition of the world, even more grandiose than the division of Poland? Is he a secret enemy of the Nazi dictator, sabotaging German demands when he dares, hiding his time until the favourable moment to strike arrives?

Or is he simply sitting tight, maintaining armed neutrality and watching with malicious satisfaction the weakening of his two greatest European rivals, Germany and Great Britain, in their fierce struggle with each other, watching Japan bog down in the huge amorphous mass of China and counting on emerging as the ultimate winner of the war by default?

It is the third of these hypotheses, I think, that is most plausible and that conforms best to Stalin's character and to the objective demands of the situation in which he is placed. At the same time, this Georgian cobler's son, who has become the autocrat of all the Soviet Republics,

slan historical tradition and are rooted in the unchanging soil of Russian geography.

Red Army Not Tested

It is pretty safe to assume that Stalin will not become involved in an armed clash with Germany unless Herr Hitler leaves him no choice by attacking Russia or presenting demands which would be equivalent to a loss of independence. The Red Army is another of the great unknowns in the Soviet picture. It has not been tested in a major war.

In the Far East the Soviet forces apparently held their own pretty well in the sporadic clashes with the Japanese which have taken place on the Manchurian and Mongolian frontiers. But these clashes were on a limited scale; and the Japanese Army is not first-class, by Western standards. In military, as in industrial development, Japan is ahead of any other Asiatic country, but behind the more advanced Western powers.

On the other hand, the Red Army did not cover itself with glory in Finland. By sheer weight of man power and artillery it finally forced its way through the Mannerheim line. But this was a defeat—for the Finns were still on their feet and still fighting when the peace was signed—of a gallant little country of 400,000 people contrasted significantly with the total knock-out which Herr Hitler's war machine inflicted on Poland in three weeks, and on France in six weeks. If there is to be any war between Germany and the Soviet Union it will be at Herr Hitler's initiative, not at Stalin's.

Ice-Free Ports Sought

Russian history is the story of steady expansion, sometimes by conquest, sometimes by colonisation, toward seas with ice-free ports. The Muscovite state of the sixteenth century was a landlocked mass, its only sea contact with the outside world being through the northern port of Archangel. Bit by bit this landlocked mass expanded to the west, to the south, to the east.

Peter the Great opened a window to Europe by conquering the Baltic coast from Sweden and setting up his new capital of St. Petersburg. Catherine II swept to the shores of the Black Sea. During the nineteenth century Russia completed a process of colonisation and conquest in Siberia and developed its main Pacific port of Vladivostok.

But Russian expansion sustained its defeats and setbacks as well as its successes. It was a romantic dream of Russian Pan-Slav enthusiasts to unite all the Balkan Slavs with Russia and to place the Cross over the Cathedral of St. Sophia in Constantinople, which had been a mosque since the Turkish capture of the city in 1453. This also fitted in with the constant Russian desire for an outlet to the seas. The Black Sea was of limited value while a foreign power held the keys to it, in the shape of the Dardanelles. But Great Britain, largely under the leadership of Lord Beaconsfield, always concerned over the security of its Imperial routes, preferred a weak Turkey to a strong Russia at Constantinople. Russia's thirst for warm waters in the Far East was checked by the Russo-Japanese War; and the Russian Daimyo became the Japanese Daimyo, the main outlet for the growing trade of Manchuria.

Russian March Renewed

Russia's collapse in the World War and its subsequent years of revolution and civil war caused a contraction of the western frontier. Almost the whole Baltic coast was lost and Petrograd remained the country's sole sea window to Western Europe. Stalin has now taken up the old Russian march toward the sea. The price of his non-aggression pact with Herr Hitler was the

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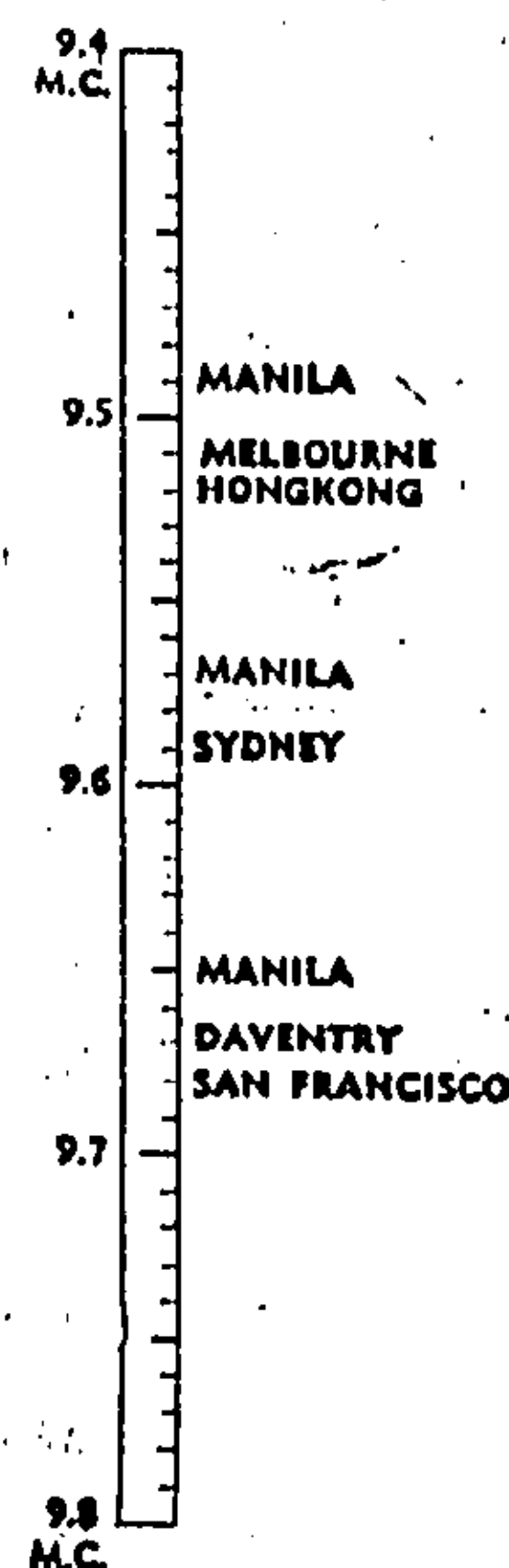
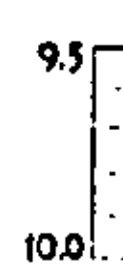
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Ignores Public Opinion

Because he is so flexible, because he has made himself complete master of Russia and freed himself from the necessity of considering even Communist public opinion (one of the main purposes of the purges that 1935 until 1938 was to get rid of every figure in the Communist Party who possessed any independent reputation, dating from the early years of the Revolution) Stalin can execute amazing somersaults. He might not be so tomorrow and as his enemy day after tomorrow if interest or necessity should require it. The Government-controlled Soviet press would applaud each move with equal enthusiasm as a new demonstration of the unparalleled wisdom of Comrade Stalin, and he would have no reason to fear a vote of lack of confidence in his hand-picked Soviet Congress.

The best-informed diplomat, the most experienced journalist in Moscow could have little accurate foreknowledge of Stalin's plans, because the sources of contact and information which usually exist in a foreign capital have been thoroughly "liquidated" to use a favourite Soviet term. Stalin rarely ever meets foreign ambassadors and his last recorded journalistic interview is already several years old. Moreover, extremely few Soviet citizens know anything about Stalin's intentions and those who do know, do not talk.

At the same time, an observer with Russian experience is not altogether without means of estimating the long-range trends in Stalin's policy, even though some of his short-term moves may baffle anticipation. In the first place, the Soviet dictator is by no means a completely free agent. There are some things which he could not do with any prospect of success. And his ultimate aims are often in a line of continuous Rus-



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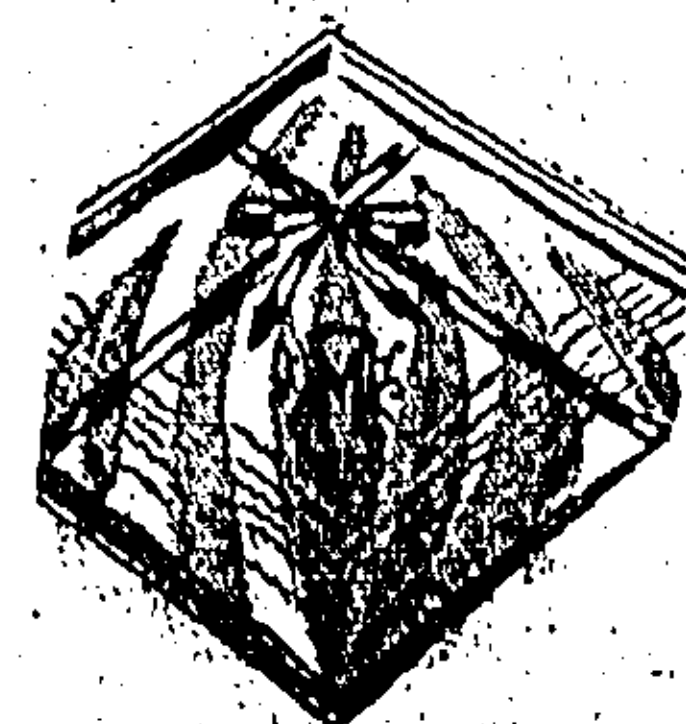
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The Greek Campaign

Neutral Army officers are following the Greek successes with amazement.

The armies of the world have long had their doubts about the quality of the Italian Army but now observers anticipated so speedily a reversal of the roles of conqueror and invaded. By most of them the primary causes of the Italian discomfiture are attributed to two principal factors: first, a completely erroneous political and diplomatic estimate of the Greek situation, and second, the "lack of stomach for the fight" of the Italians.

The Greeks, it is pointed out, have something to fight for—their

base at Suda Bay in Crete, seized soon after the start of the Greek "show" and some of these may be preparing, with the assistance of the British Navy, for an expedition against the Dodecanese Islands.

Despite this help, no major British aid, in so far as land troops are concerned, seems immediately possible—regardless of the great opportunity offered by the Greek successes against the Italians. For the British have not an adequate number of trained men or sufficient equipment to divert much of it now to Greece. They may have more of it next Spring; the question of importance? Now, therefore, appears to be whether the Greeks can lengthen the campaign through the winter.

They appear to be in fairly good position to do so; they have suffered no severe losses in their warfare against the Italians; they now occupy advantageous tactical positions in Southern Albania and the season of severe climate and difficult weather is at hand. But neither have the Italians suffered major losses, and only a small fraction of the Italian strength has yet been used against the Greeks. The Italians may well have difficulty transporting supplies and manoeuvring large forces in Albania with British submarines and bombers harrying the sea communications to Albania, with the limited port facilities of Durazzo under the hall of British bombardment, and with the steep mountains and inadequate roads of Albania limiting the strength of the armies.

By HANSON
BALDWIN

home. And the heart of the Italian is not in it—except for officers and a few picked Fascist troops, the Italian Army seems to have no illusions of the glory.

Military Errors Cited

Moreover, the political mistake made by the Italians in anticipating a quick Greek surrender with little or no resistance, was followed by military mistakes. An attempt at invasion by inadequate forces, an over-extension of the Italian lines, poor staff work and poor liaison between mutually supporting columns and air and ground units, a misuse of motorised and mechanised forces in a mountainous terrain and inefficient use of either the Italian Navy or the Italian Air Forces, on the sea flanks of Greece.

The Greeks were quick to take advantage of these mistakes and they were rapidly and tremendously assisted by the British Navy which neutralised the Italian Fleet by British air forces which bombed Italian ports, harbours, roads and military concentrations, and quite probably by temporary small detachments of British troops—chiefly specialists and communication troops. There have long been unverified reports that a number of Greeks were in Greece; this is quite possible, though it is unlikely that more than a small number of British troops are on the Greek mainland. A fairly large force—marines, naval, Royal Air Force and army—have probably consolidated the

German Threat

All of these things favour the Greeks in their war against time and the Italians, but there are important dangers to the Greeks in the opinion of military observers. Some fear that in the enthusiasm of the first flush of victory the Greeks may over extend their own lines of communication and supply and give the Italians an opportunity for a crushing counter-attack. But if the Greeks are governed by British advice and they may be since British technical troops and liaison staffs are fighting with them they will heed this danger. The other and far graver danger is one that looms inescapably over the Balkans. It is the danger of German intervention in the Greek campaign—a danger so real and important that all Greek victories must be considered for the time being transitory and illusory only until one knows in which direction Reichsfuehrer Hitler will next strike.

H.K. Orphans Of The Storm

The Editor,
Sunday Herald

Sir,—Through the agency of a mutual friend I recently heard of the splendid work of three institutions in this Colony, which have never, to my knowledge, publicly appealed to the residents of Hong Kong for support.

I have felt constrained to make a few enquiries about these institutions and the little information which I have been able to gather will probably be of interest to your readers. I might add that I am personally a total stranger to those in charge and that the publicity I now give them was not solicited for in any way.

Babies' Home, Fanling

A few weeks ago Miss Mildred Didden appeared before the Public Tribunal on behalf of Miss Little (Mrs. Little) might be permitted to enter the Colony to assist her in her work of running a foundling home. Miss Little is a trained nurse but her application was turned down.

Behind this incident is a story of faith and courage seldom met with nowadays.

Miss Didden is a young lady of faith and character. She returned to the Colony from England about four-and-a-half years ago with the avowed intention of founding a home for unwanted Chinese babies. The story of her difficulties and vicissitudes is a long one and against the advice and foreboding of her friends she persevered and to-day she is in sole charge of a large family of 75 children ranging from 4½ years to a few weeks old.

As can be imagined, the cost of housing, clothing, feeding and caring (she has a few paid Chinese helpers) for these children must amount to a considerable sum monthly and Miss Didden has no backing from any governing body in Hong Kong or elsewhere. Her friends have aided her and she receives gifts of money, food and clothing, but without ever soliciting for her requirements. She relies on her God to supply her needs and He has not failed her.

What of the future? At this time when nobody wishes to add to his responsibilities or commitments, Miss Didden still takes in poor unwanted children who come to her often deformed, diseased or discarded because of extreme poverty or superstitious ignorance on the part of the parents. She also plans to start a kindergarten for the older tots for whom her friends are now collecting stumps of pencils and scraps of paper. The Fraternity Bazaar, 216 Nathan Road, Kowloon, will, I understand,

stand, gladly receive any gifts for this deserving work.

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Their founding home was originally started by Dr. & Mrs. H. Leckmere Clift many years ago in Nanning and later taken over by the B.C.M.S. When the Reds overran Kwangsi in 1925 the British missionaries were forced to flee with their charges and after great privations reached Haiphong. The Home was later moved to Hong Kong and eventually found its way to Fanling, where they have ample accommodation for the 30 Chinese girls under the care of Miss Little. In their grounds, which were acquired early this year, the children are taught to rear, poultry and pigs and it is hoped that their garden produce will obtain a receptive market. Some of the older girls have gone into service as family servants, nurses and bimbos. They are given an elementary education and are taught, as far as possible, to be self-supporting.

The South China branch of the work has received many setbacks in recent months. Their headquarters in Nanning were bombed and their newly constructed hospital severely damaged and the missionaries there were fortunate to escape with their lives. Two of their number, Dr. Webb and Rev. Mr. Osborne, elected to remain in Nanning throughout the Japanese occupation and were imprisoned when the Burma Road was reopened but were finally released when the city was evacuated. Some of the missionaries started off on a long trek a fortnight ago to attempt to return to their stations overland from Hong Kong while others have set off via the Burma Road.

In previous years, the home in Hong Kong has received gifts of toys, etc. discarded by friends in England. But with the prevailing conditions at home, it is doubtful if the usual Christmas box will be forthcoming. To make matters worse, the Headquarters at Victoria Street, Westminster, were completely destroyed during an attack on London on the night of September 13th. Any gifts for the

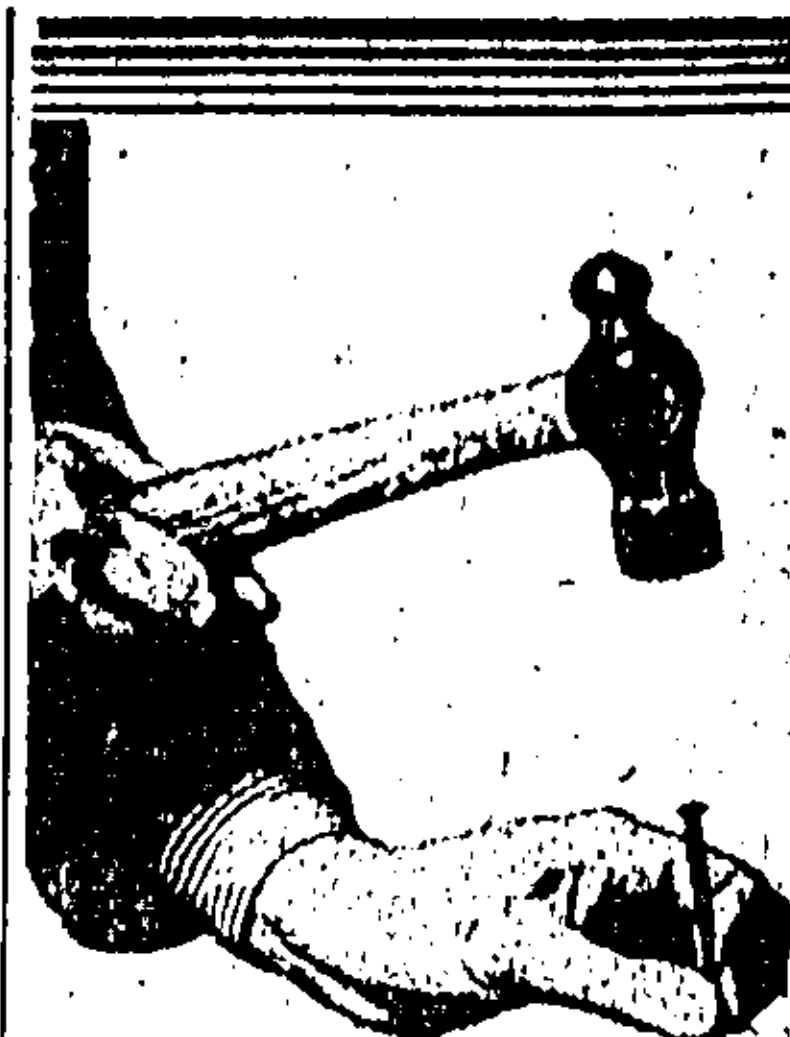
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The Colony affords shelter to wet and homeless children from China. This Home opened its doors to the destitute and despairing young Chinese women of Canton, and situated as it was on the banks of the river close to a favourite spot for attempted suicides it was the means of converting the lives and hearts of many outcast girls.

Mrs. E. W. Raetz and Miss Elizabeth Howard, who run the Home, decided, when the Japanese invasion of South China threatened Canton, that the war of the United States was insufficient protection against the Japanese hordes and they moved to Hong Kong. Finally finding a safe place in Tai Po Market, not far from the Police Station, they took these two ladies have undertaken a difficult task. It might seem that the training of undisciplined minds of mature girls is fraught with all the most insuperable difficulties. These have been overcome and the young women are taught handicrafts which are a means of helping towards expenses as well as providing the girls with a little pocket money. It might seem that this work is limited to a few readers that this is not so, for not only have older girls from the streets been sent to Tai Po, but also the call to care for smaller refugee children has been so loud and insistent that those in charge could not turn a deaf ear to it, and to-day the small building they occupy is crowded with some 30 children and young women. Surely this work among the unfortunate in the Colony is also deserving of the support of its more fortunate citizens.

I trust that the foregoing very scanty resume of the work of these three comparatively unknown institutions will touch not only the hearts of many of our readers, but their pockets as well. At this time of goodwill let us remember those who are trying to bring cheer to the poor and unwanted.

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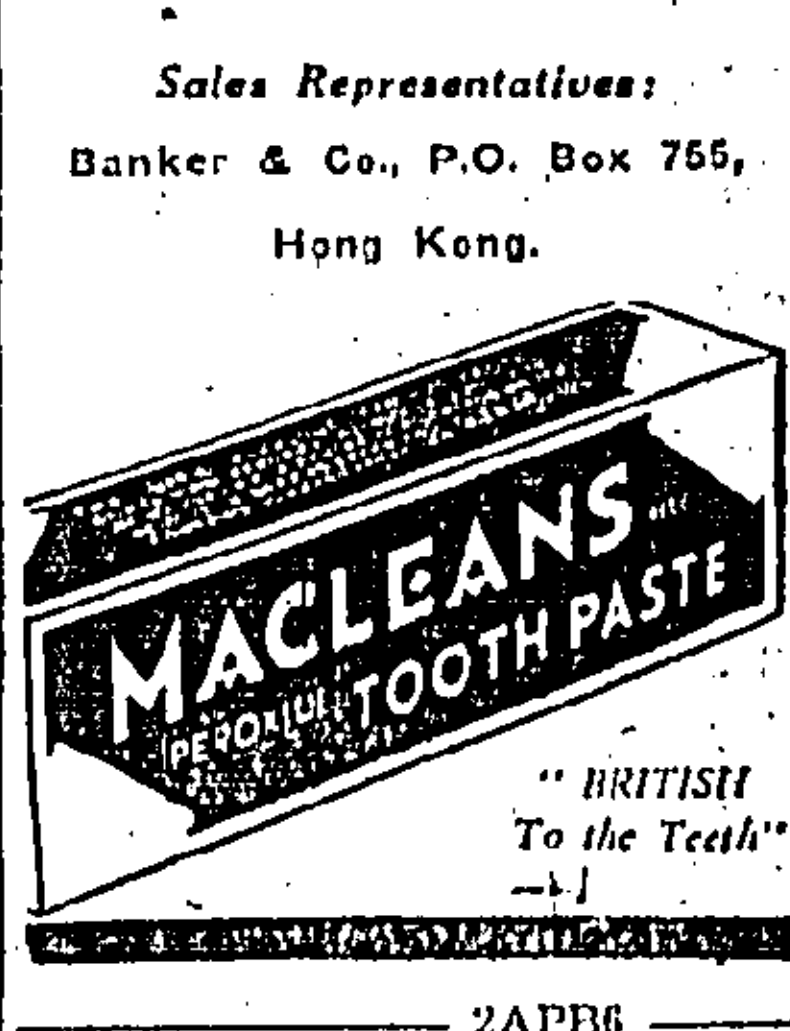


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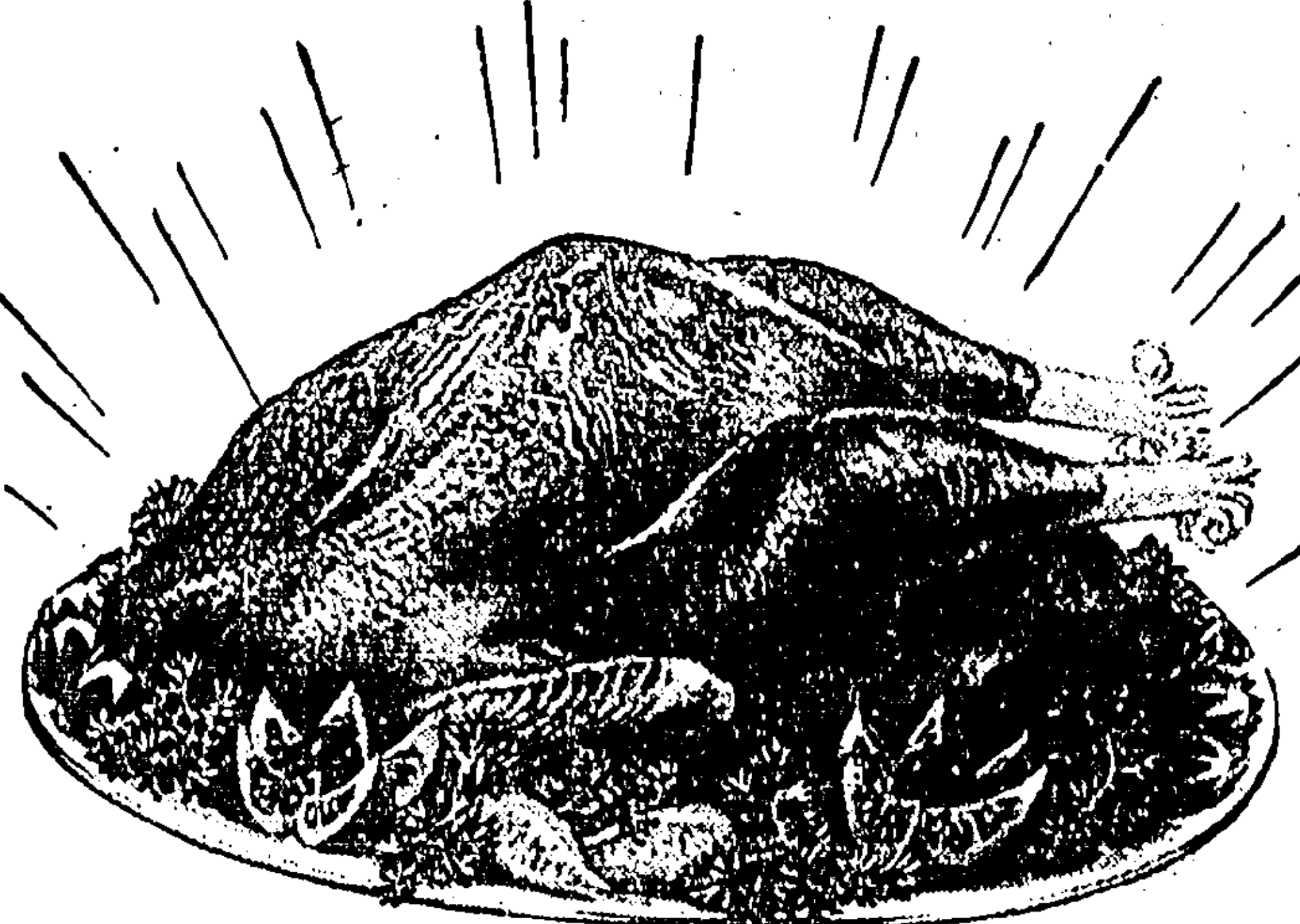


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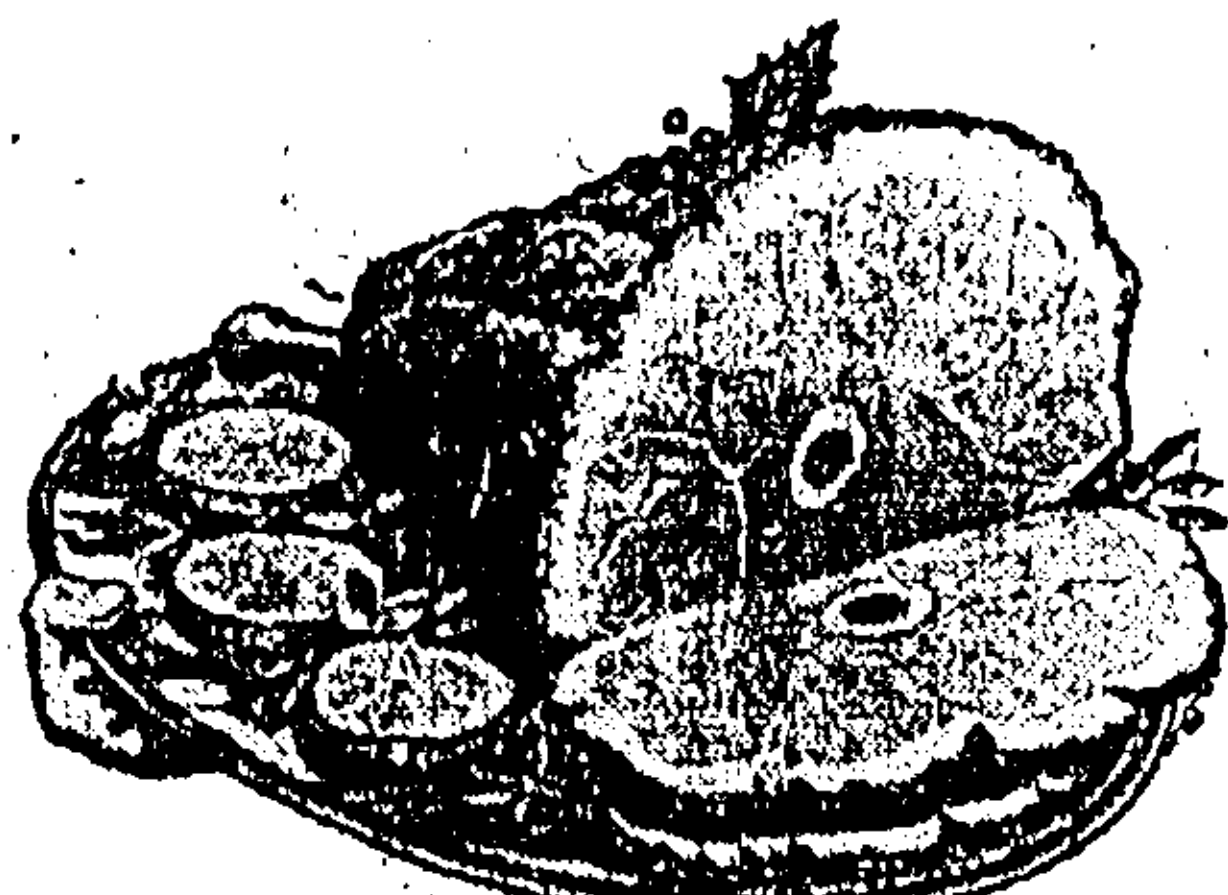
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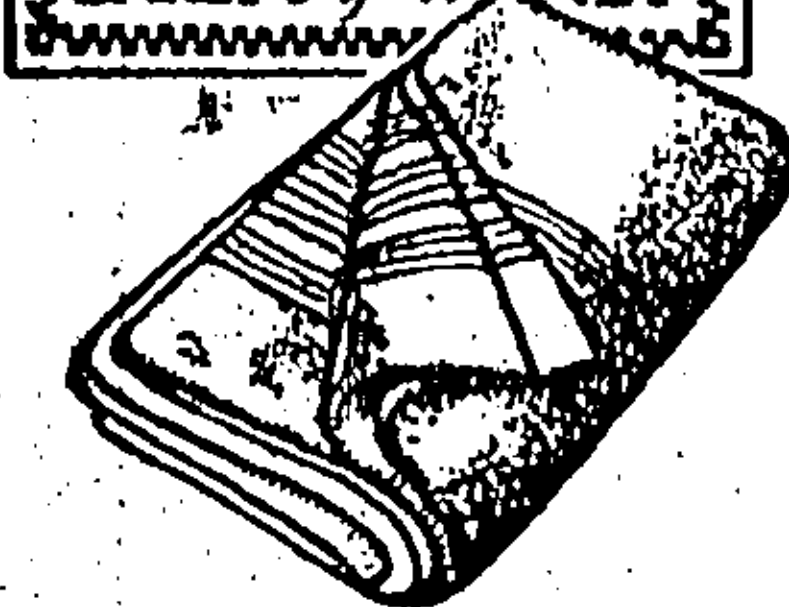


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Germany's war at sea has taken on a new intensity within the past weeks, raising sharp problems for Britain.

Even if one discounts the German claims to have sunk more than 7,000,000 tons of Allied shipping—which is practically double the British figure—there is still Mr. Winston Churchill's pointed warning that the submarine menace is looming large.

Availability to the Germans of submarine bases on the coast of France has greatly altered the picture from what it was in the World War.

News that a surface raider is operating at Mid-Atlantic discloses that German warcraft have been able to slip through the British blockade to attack sea-borne commerce.

Meanwhile air bombings of British merchantmen have increased.

It is apparent that German strategy is now to leave operations against shipping in the immediate vicinity of Great Britain to its air force. Submarines will be used farther at sea. The heavy raider will be employed still further out along the sea lanes.

Aeroplanes For Defence?

To this technique there are answers. One of them may well be a new use of defensive aircraft in convoy. Another will be to overcome the errors of omission which are responsible for some of the British sinkings. Another is to increase the warcraft available to Britain for convoy and similar service.

We do not know all the circumstances, but it would appear that the loss of the Empress of Britain might have been avoided.

If a German bomber could reach that vessel, surely escorting planes could have been provided for the protection of such a valuable ship. If reports of the subsequent torpedoing by a submarine are correct, it indicates that neither air nor surface protection was made available to cope with this menace. And it further indicates that adequate means of communication exist between German planes and submarines.

British escort service has been severely curtailed, due to losses of destroyers and escort vessels and the necessary diversion of such units to the Mediterranean. It is encouraging to note that Mr. Churchill states that new construction is "coming along."

The convoy system proved its worth in the last war, and if properly used and the requisite number of escort vessels is supplied it should again afford adequate protection. Some adaptation of the plane carrier should be devised for convoy work. A ship that can out one or two planes in the air would be of inestimable value to its convoy as planes are the best

means of locating and of keeping submarines under the surface where their effectiveness is much reduced. When within striking distance of Nazi planes, the air protection should be augmented by shore based planes.

Measure of Relief

The long winter nights afford a measure of relief, because the submarine has no striking power at night unless a convoy happens to run directly upon it. And then, in nine times out of ten, the submarine will be occupied in looking to its own safety to the exclusion of other activities.

By the end of the winter, it is to be hoped that ample air and surface protection will be available for British shipping.

By Captain
F. L. OLIVER,
U. S. N. Ret.

Meanwhile, it is useful to understand the circumstances that have permitted Germany to increase its sea warfare to its present intensity.

Almost every course of action the Germans have followed so far in this war, shows unmistakable evidence that the lessons learned as a result of the last war have been used to good advantage, so it must be accepted that the mistakes made with the submarine not only have not been repeated, but have been studiously avoided.

To begin with, Germany from 1914 to early in 1918 made the grave mistake of not pushing submarine construction to the limit. Not only were many dissimilar designs of submarines undertaken, but the military authorities absolutely refused to release mechanics and shipyard workers from the Army for work on submarine construction. In addition, diplomatic representations made by President Wilson, caused unrestricted submarine warfare to be sparingly applied until just before the United States entered the war.

The net result was failure to utilise the tremendous possibilities offered by unrestricted submarine warfare until too late. Had the same one or for another six months, there is no telling what the result would have been, for in late 1918 Germany had a standard disc submarine building programme in full swing, and counted on producing from 30 to 50 submarines during 1919.

Following the armistice it was found that about 100 new submarines were afloat and nearly completed, and another 125 hulls on the stocks were in various stages of completion.

Darker Days

The recent resurgence of submarine activity and Mr. Churchill's warning of darker days to come,

all point to the fact that the output of German submarines has been made a matter of mass production during the past year. Accessions of French and Italian submarines can hardly account for the very large number of submarines swarming the seas west of the British Isles, especially as Italy has better use for its submarines in the Mediterranean, and is reported already to have lost some 25 per cent. of its pre-war submarine strength.

Undoubtedly Germany had or was in process of completing designs for a standard submarine of about 700 tons at the outbreak of the war, and modern methods of construction lend themselves to mass production of such craft.

Complete conning tower structures can be punched out by powerful presses. Entire bulkheads and similar features of construction can be made in the same manner. Small establishments scattered throughout Germany and dominated countries can concentrate on producing complete integral parts, such as bows and sterns, which can later be assembled quickly by electric welding—an art in which Germany was a pioneer.

Nazi control of Denmark, the Netherlands, and Belgium has widened the engine bottleneck, as these countries had establishments which produced eminently satisfactory diesel engines.

It is quite possible that the daring invasion of Norway was brought about by the crying need of iron for submarine construction, and that the submarine programme did not strike its full stride until the present plentiful supply of that essential material was assured.

Taking it full and by, there is good reason to believe that Germany is now capable of completing up to perhaps 50 submarines a month. However, as has previously been discussed in these columns, supplying satisfactory crews for

such a programme of submarines will be difficult. And it must be remembered that in a submarine one incompetent man can easily spell disaster for all hands.

Operating Bases

In the matter of operating bases, Germany is in a much better position than it was during the World War, when its submarines not only found it difficult to get to sea, but had to expend valuable cruising time in doing so.

The Nazis now hold numerous ports from which operations can be projected, Cherbourg, Brest, and Lorient open directly onto the Atlantic where operations can immediately be initiated and carried on until far to the westward of Ireland.

Meanwhile there are reports that the German submarine operations are being augmented by submarines from the Italian Navy. This may make spectacular propaganda from the Axis standpoint, but it is probably true that the bulk of the submarine campaign still rests on German shoulders.

The German craft, judging from the World War experience for 700-ton boats, remain at sea about 25 days. It is immediately apparent how the use of French bases permits more time to be spent attacking shipping and less in going and coming. Even in the face of this increased range, many standard procedures are still effective.

During the World War, convoy routes were immediately altered by the routing authorities when it was found that the routes being followed would carry the ships into areas where submarines had been located. In fact, every time a submarine was spotted, its location was radiocast so that ships operating singly could take necessary precautions. Unquestionably the same procedure is now being followed and zigzagging has lost none of its baffling effect on the submarine.

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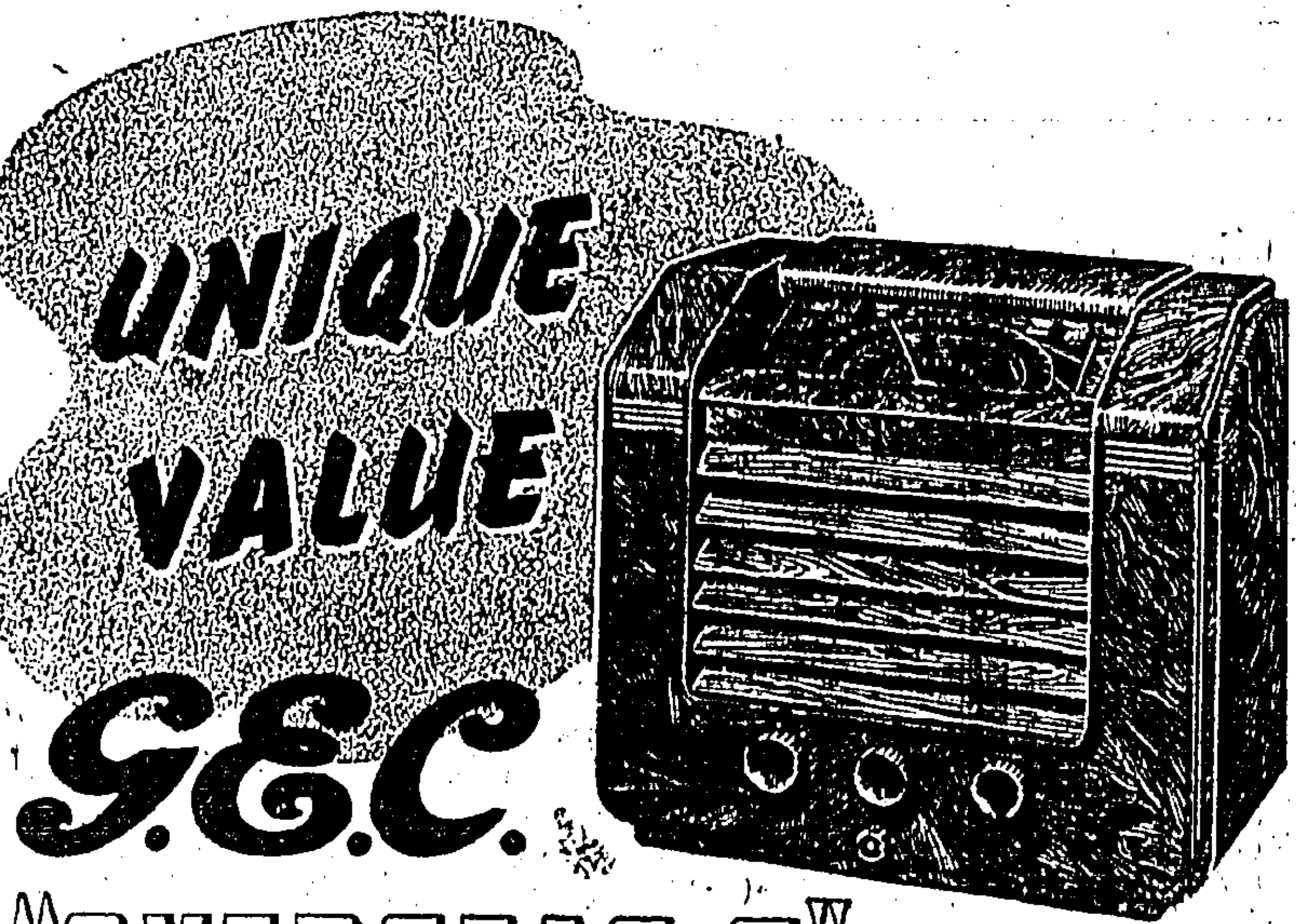
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Can We Patch Up A Peace?

LUDWELL DENNY, writing a series of articles in the Scripps-Howard newspapers, is suggesting that there is an underground movement for a "peace of negotiation" to settle the war in Europe, and that Mr. Churchill, backed up by the Roosevelt administration, is standing in the way. "But conditions may change."

The peace offensive, according to Mr. Denny, emanates from Berlin. Hitler wants to hold the continent of Europe, and is prepared, if the war be stopped, to take Great Britain into junior partnership.

Articles like these, plus reports from England of serious damage from bombs and serious shipping losses, undoubtedly awaken in this country a hope that maybe the war can be stopped and things restored in a half-way-tolerable manner. Influential groups in the American business world are unquestionably counting on a possible defeat of Britain by spring. These, and others, show stubborn resistance to any radical increase of aid from us to Britain. Colonel Lindbergh is spokesman for a group who are counting positively on the collapse of Britain at no distant date, and a "New Order in Europe" with which we, then, must cooperate. Indeed, in his Chicago speech last summer Colonel Lindbergh recommended that once Hitler's regime is established it will be our duty to make a treaty with it, thus abandoning once and for all the idea of "no angling alliances." We must make no alliance now with Britain; we must prepare to make one with the New Order under Hitler.

ed peace, with Britain taken into Junior partnership. Junior partnership with Nazi Germany is the status at present enjoyed by Italy. Junior partnership means collaboration in carrying out further the world programme designed in Berlin. There is no profound difference between the position of Mussolini's Italy and that of conquered France. Italy does not have German troops in occupation of any of her soil, but she would have them to-morrow if she did not "behave." Italy is the caboose of a streamlined train hurtling through the world, and she cannot uncouple herself if she will. Her military and economic position is so weak in contrast to that of

By Dorothy Thompson

Germany that she is a prisoner, not a partner, of her alliance. And Great Britain would be in the same position.

The negotiated "peace" proposed by Germany would deprive the United States of the only friend and ally we have in the world. The Churchill government would not make peace with Hitler, even if Churchill would. Not once in his whole life-time has Hitler carried on a campaign against a personality with whom he hoped to cooperate. When he wanted to subjugate Czechoslovakia he turned the press and radio loose on the man he first wanted to eliminate: Benes. Before that, he had done the same thing with Schuschnigg. It is significant that never, not once, did he, or has he, personally attacked Stalin. But over and over again he has attacked Churchill and Roosevelt. He wants the elimination of these two men and the policies they represent. The resignation of Churchill would be as essential to peace negotiations as was the resignation of the men above named. Churchill would have to be followed by a pro-Nazi government.

A pro-Nazi government in England, entering into a "junior partnership" with the Third Reich would not make peace in the world. It would further pursue the war. And the moment such a "peace" were settled the United States of America would be in the most hideous danger imaginable. For that moment would be the one in which Japan would enter as actively into the Axis partnership as Italy entered it with the defeat of France.

It will not, of course, have real peace. It will have the indefinite continuation of a reign of terror, in which, in the most arbitrary way, whole populations are moved from their homes and recolonized; political groups are exterminated; racial groups are reorganized into a hierarchical structure of Germans on top and lesser races beneath; all existing forms of culture and of law are obliterated; and the so-called German Revolution is substituted for the war itself.

If the defeatist attitude in the United States is, at this moment serious enough, what would it be with Britain in "partnership" with the Axis? Then, indeed, the careful preparations made in the United States for years by the Fascist powers would bear fruit. Then we would hear from our Fascist friends and all their allies. And the United States had better remember that Hitler's own "solution" for the United States is, that at the right moment, we should tear ourselves to pieces and out of history in an internal revolution!

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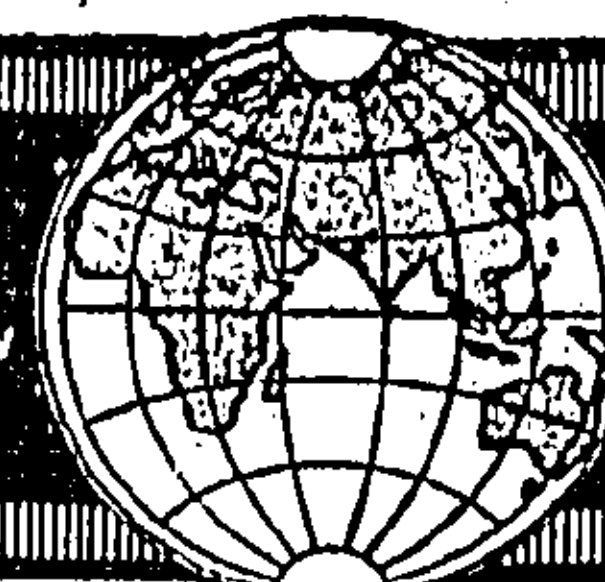
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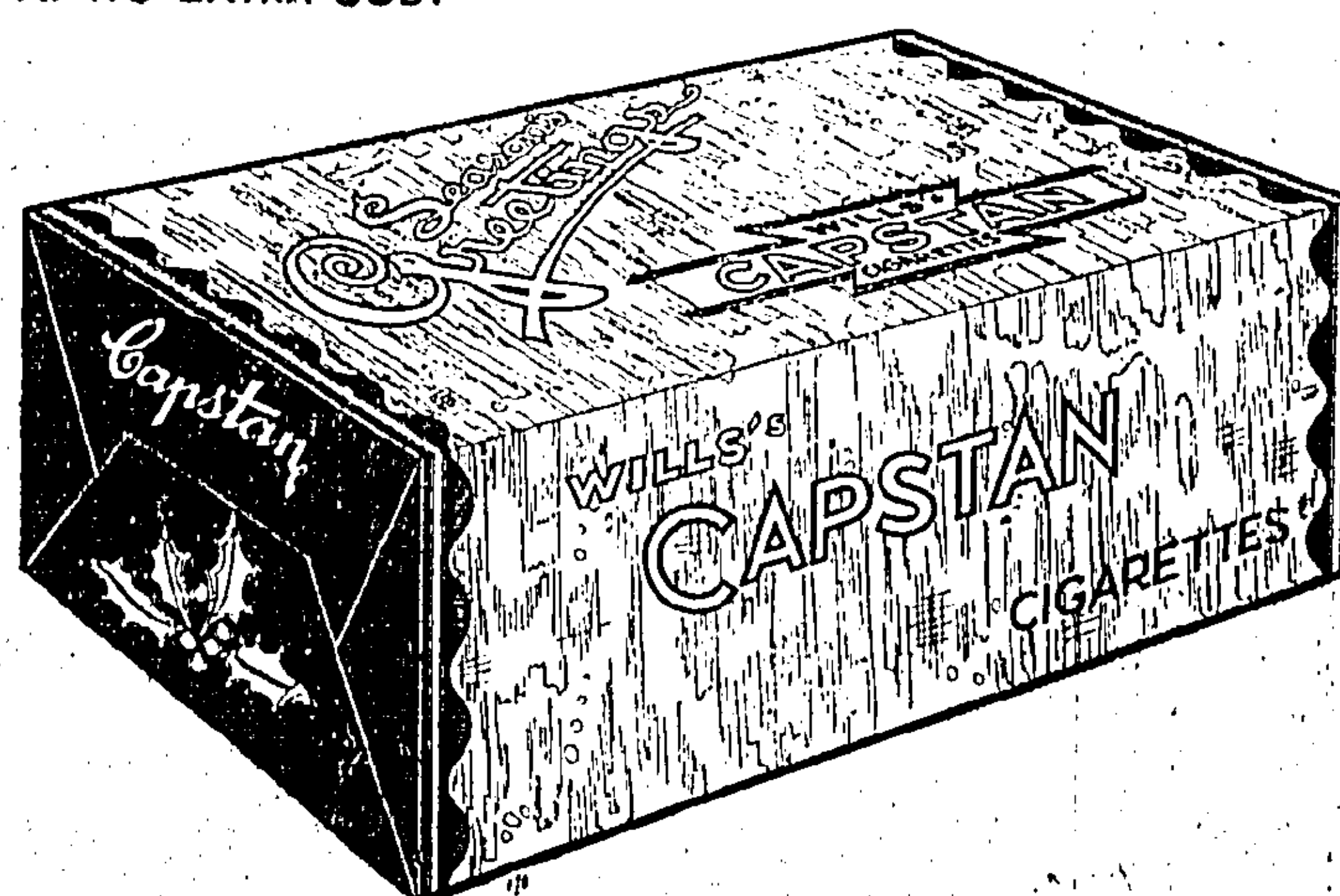
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IMPENDING STORM

The hard testing time is still before Great Britain and the British Empire. That was the pith and substance both of Lord Beaverbrook's blunt broadcast warning against over-confidence and of Mr. Winston Churchill's final review of the war situation before the Christmas festival. It was, doubtless, that consideration, too, which dictated the reply of the Secretary of State for the Colonies that condemned Hong Kong husbands, divided by the evacuation from their wives and families this Christmas, to contemplate the probability of a separation extended long beyond the period of their hopes.

Lord Lloyd's message was not the appropriately soothing answer of an Archbishop. Except in straying to the controversial ground of racial discrimination, it was direct and to the point; at the same time, not lacking in sympathy for or understanding of the disturbance borne by those affected by the evacuation scheme.

The strong terms of rebuke to those "individuals who were so minded as to fail to submit themselves to His Majesty's Government's decision in such critical times as these" turn aside the key point of local grievance, the apparent penalisation of the obedient and consideration for those guilty of "diservice" to the Empire war effort.

It is from that perspective that the Secretary of State for the Colonies views the unfortunate repercussions of the compulsory evacuation order, that and the fact that H.M. Government had "wider and more individual interest to consider."

Lord Lloyd, in short, invites the husbands' committee generously to accept grim circumstance's decree, and he raises an issue which will be pondered most deeply at the public meeting to be held at the Peninsula Hotel next Friday. It is no official secret that the gloowering threat held over the British Isles by Hitler and the possibility of serious deterioration of the political situation in the Far East are intimately associated. Nothing is more ominous about the European scene to-day than the marked lull in German activity, given double emphasis by the failure of Hitler to assist his running-dog, Mussolini, who is so heavily beset both in Albania and Libya. Nothing is more certain than that Germany is now preparing, with all her known capacity for masterly organisation, to strike early and heavily at the heart of the Empire. Nothing is more logical than the German attitude that her best service to Italy, in her present plight, is such a blow at England herself in her tight little island as will mean Germany's doom or ours.

Hong Kong, in more senses than one, has a very direct interest in the grave threat to which Hitler's desperate need for quick results lends a sense of imminence. There will be formidable beginnings; they will be compounded to use so many repressive measures that the result will be Fascism. There is, in my opinion, no alternative. We cannot stay long as we are. Either we drop back into reaction and repression or we go forward to achieve a new democratic order.

Nearly all persons who think at all about these matters—and I could produce ample evidence to support this—are fighting this war not merely to defeat Adolf Hitler and his kind but also to bring about this new democracy. For nearly 10 years before the war, Britain was being run by a small plutocratic clique which produced one of the worst governments this country ever has known. Our entrance into the war soon proved that this ruling class was no longer capable of ruling efficiently; that virtue had gone out of it. We did not begin to fight the war properly until the base of government was broadened. But it is still not nearly broad enough. This is recognised by everybody except the small, but influential, group of persons who put their own privileges before anything else.

New Friends To Conquer

ON November 20 in the presence of Hitler and Ribbentrop at Vienna, the Hungarian Foreign Minister signed a Protocol binding his country to the Three-Power Pact between Germany, Italy and Japan.

There are two points to be noted. In the first place it has been made abundantly clear by the form of the agreement that Hungary accepts an entirely subordinate and subservient position; she has not been accepted as a partner, she has not been decorated with the Order of the Axis class IV. In the second place the occasion has been veiled with pomp and circumstance out of all proportion to its importance. Hungary was securely in Germany's pocket already. The situation is altered except that the new acquaintance made a closer acquaintance with the character of German friendship, for the pangs have been revealed in relation to the mark so that Germans in Hungary may secure more funds for their money.

The reason for the failure of trumpets in admitting Hungary to the fold seems to have been the absence of other expected sheep. German Foreign Office officials had been putting it about that many States would be represented at Vienna.

On November 16 Ribbentrop had interviewed Senor Serrano Suñer, presumably to reassure Spain about Molotov's visit and to discuss the Spanish move closely to Hitler himself received King Boris of Bulgaria. In his speech at the Vienna ceremony Ribbentrop stated hopefully that other States would follow.

The German Diplomatic Drive

After the failure of the plan for invading Britain in September Hitler embarked upon an intense diplomatic offensive designed to prevent the re-election of President Roosevelt and to convince the United States that it was too late to alter the march of events in Europe, Asia and Africa and that American interests would accordingly be best served by "hemispheric" isolation.

When that move failed and the American people committed themselves to give all possible aid to the British Empire short of war, Germany was fully alive to the danger of a break down in the morale of the vast industrial resources of America could be fully mobilised against her.

Since Hitler is, above all things, an opportunist, it would be useless to deny the fact that the timing of the blow which he must strike in an attempt to save himself from ultimate destruction, but their general direction is clear. He hopes and intends to draw Britain into a conflict with France and Spain and break down the resistance of Greece and Turkey and seize control of the Straits, turn the attention of Russia to Iran and Afghanistan and that of Japan to Indo-China, the Netherlands East Indies and possibly to Burma and

Malaya. As in the last war the Germans are putting everything on hazard before the full weight of American help can be brought to bear.

Petain, Laval and Weygand

The success or failure of the German purpose to manipulate France against us turns on very largely whether their chosen instrument can sufficiently cajole Petain and other reluctant collaborators and hoodwink the French public into accepting surrender with dishonour. When Hitler received the Marshal near Paris on October 24 it seems that the latter agreed in principle "to collaborate in rebuilding Europe," but refused the extreme German demands including German naval bases overseas, the demands which Laval had promised Hitler to support.

One group in the Vichy Government headed by the aged Marshal still hopes desperately for an honourable peace as between soldiers.

By A Diplomatic Observer

The reconstruction of France which shall be Catholic, predominantly rural and authoritarian. For his part Laval was possessed by a consuming hatred of democracy generally, and of British democracy particularly, and was bent on revenge for his long exile from political power. Petain and the small group who follow him so German demands were too extreme, Plamin is different in some respects but how different in fundamentals is open to question.

The Germans have had experience of his type before in other subjugated countries and know how to use them. There are indications from foreign sources that the Germans hope to instigate an attempt by the Vichy Government to recover by force control of part of the French Empire, a plan which has declared for the Free French Movement. This would be a very much more serious campaign than the isolated clashes which have already taken place in Equatorial Africa with General de Gaulle's forces. It is calculated by the Germans that His Majesty's Government would be obliged to support the latter so that a direct conflict between Britain and Metropolitan France might result. This could then be represented as a Gaulle's autonomous action by the Vichy Government in defence of its Empire and resistance to British attack. The German Armistice Commission is known to have approved of the maintenance on an active basis of the French fleet at Toulon.

Much depends on the attitude of General Weygand who is apparently still in North Africa. He is known to be bitterly disappointed with the German conception of

"collaboration" with France and it seems unlikely that he would co-operate (or permit) the sale of the French Empire to Hitler. On the other hand, it could be a dash to give credence to the rumours that Weygand is contemplating throwing in his lot with de Gaulle.

State of French Opinion

In their dealings with France the Nazis realise that it is essential that the apathy and dull despair of the French people should not be turned into active hatred and this becomes more important as the first shock of defeat yields out.

The sudden and wholesale expulsion of the French populations from Lorraine has profoundly shocked the people of France. No attempt has been made to hide the tragic facts from them. It would indeed have been impossible to conceal them for the Lorrainers are being spread over the whole of South and South-east France. It was reported that on November 16 five trains of refugees were Lorraine passed daily through Lyons and each train was met by Mgr. Beunis, Bishop of Metz, who himself was expelled from his diocese.

Given the apparent desire of Hitler to conciliate the French for the present it is curious that the act, which is bound to provoke bitter feeling in France, should have been so brutally executed at such a moment. A private report states that the chief reason for the present haste is to make room for the Germans from the Ruhr which has suffered heavily from bombing by the R.A.F. Replying to the formal denial of the Vichy Government that this expulsion was part of the agreed Franco-German "cooperation" plan, the Germans have stated that it was the result of a verbal arrangement with Laval—who denied it.

Meanwhile evidence is accumulating of the strength of pre-British feeling both in the occupied and unoccupied zones.

A recent letter from the south of France declares: "In the south French radios are all the rage. Two weeks ago on my way back from a shoot I met a group of men (name given) who were driving me home began to talk on this subject and pointed out to me that the local cafe at the hours of broadcasting opened its doors in order that the population might listen to the news from London. What is most annoying and disgusting about the whole business is the fact that among these de Gaulleists is a large number of decent people led astray by this insidious propaganda."

Another letter from a doctor says: "My profession allows me to sound all kinds of opinion. Everywhere, everywhere I repeat, in all 'milieux' the people are intoxicated by the British radio. 'Korns' which amused us during the first ten months of the war have taught the public nothing. It listens to London and is de Gaulleist and takes no notice of the French radio." The spirit of France is beginning to stir in its sleep.

THIS WEEK

The dashing triumphs of General Wavell's Army of the Nile and the unhampered sweep of the Adriatic by British naval forces have captured the headlines, but there can be little doubt that President Roosevelt's handsome Christmas present will carry a message of remembrance to Hitler which it is far to suggest, is calculated to make a more easily digestible difference to the course of the war. What has been regarded as a tough hand has been taken at a single stroke, with a characteristically Rooseveltian solution of an embarrassing difficulty. Mrs. Roosevelt posed the problem in her speech, reminding the people of the United States that Americans were giving Britain "all aid short of war" for spot cash; on the null, adding that the time must come when dollar exchange problems must develop in acute form. No-one imagined for a moment that the running out of Britain's financial resources would end American aid; but neither was there any enthusiasm for a battle line Congress about the Johnson Act or the Neutrality Act. The Roosevelt "loan or lease" proposals evade the difficulty with brilliant simplicity, and there is easier breathing on both sides of the Atlantic.

British Victory
America's Security

Realistic and candid, President Roosevelt said in a plan which has been tremendously increased value because it eliminates the bugbear of piled up debts to mar the making of a harmonious peace after the war and because it obviates protracted negotiations at a critical time, the decisive six months ahead. When Mr. Churchill says that with the supplies coming forward from the United States, we can be a fully armed nation in 1941, he is enabled, for the first time, to say so with absolute confidence. The plan, briefly, is that the United States shall lend or lease all necessary war supplies to Britain, to be returned after the war or replaced in kind. No policy which blocks transfer of equipment will be allowed to stand. Britain is duly grateful.

Hobson's Choice

It is more than probable that the new orientation of American foreign policy will increase Britain's immediate responsibilities. Whatever plans Hitler has been making, they include the necessity of a gigantic effort to smash Britain before American assistance can be fully effective. And the temptation to attempt to kill two birds with one stone—order that the population might listen to the news from London—must be irresistible. In that sense, Mr. Churchill's Commons speech was a grave warning. Britain must act from now on as though the chance of instant peril were a certainty. The dangers for Hitler are manifold. But prolonged procrastination would constitute weak acquiescence in his ultimate doom.

A Nation
In Arms

Beyond demanding utmost vigilance by all the defence services, Mr. Churchill's speech trumpet-

ed confidence. The nation is in arms. Our coast is stoutly defended at all points. We have a large and powerful mobile army straining at the leash and capable of switching from one threatened point to another with dexterous facility. The Navy longs for the chance of testing Hitler's capacity to blockade and maintain a bridgehead across the Channel or the North Sea on the British coast. Before any of that can happen, Hitler must gain mastery of the air, and that must come, after August and September, to be the ambition of a madman. Nevertheless, German losses in the air have been small since large-scale daylight raids were abandoned and it must be assumed that Goering is assembling huge numbers of bombers to make the attempt again.

Raid Into
Adriatic

In the field of action, no distinct from the strategic plots of a fanatic Hitler, the Axis has nothing to show beyond vexatious reverses. Vexatious in possibly too mild a term for the disaster in the Western Desert, though it covers the raid by the British Mediterranean Fleet through the Straits of Otranto to bombard Valona. Italian naval bases are sufficiently near for an attempt to have been made to cut off the British units in the Adriatic but the task was apparently not relinquished by Italy's new navy chief any more than it was by his predecessor. The simultaneous aerial bombardment of Brindisi

The Siege
Of Bardia

The sweeping advance of the Imperial Army in Egypt has achieved success beyond the most optimistic forecast. It was generally accepted that the initial impetus of the offensive would come to an end in the region of Bardia, because of extended lines of communication and supply problems. It was not expected that the Italians would abandon the better part of two divisions in Bardia, strongly entrenched but apparently doomed to share the fate of the divisions at Sidi Barrani. Already as a result of the entire operation, 31,000 Italian prisoners have been tabulated and sent to internment camps, several thousands are still on their way to counting stations, and capture or annihilation of the Bardia contingents appears to be a matter of time. Yesterday, the ring round the defence system of the port was rapidly closing in and all roads of escape to the west had been cut off.

The Blizzard
Blitzkrieg

In Albania, the Italians have fared scarcely more successfully. Severe blizzards and weather conditions hampered air cooperation, have slowed up the pace of the Greek advance, but progress continues relentlessly and the last main Italian defence positions in front of Valona are reported to have collapsed. The intense bombardment of Valona by British battleships doubtless fitted with the speedy conception which visualises a swift advance along the Adriatic coast imperilling the whole Italian lines to the north, particularly those of the troops resisting stubbornly in the Pogradetz sector. Should these give way, the road is thrown open to Tirana and Durazzo.

Gestapo Or
Monaco?

Italy's military plight plus its serious impact upon internal morale explains persistent rumours that German divisions are entering Italy by way of the Brenner Pass. Advanced as circumstances of evidence of alleged developments and cancellation of numerous Italian trains in and out of Rome, but the official Italian explanation, need for fuel economy, makes an equally satisfactory pattern. German military occupation of Italy, at the moment, smacks of wishful thinking. But it would not be altogether surprising to learn of the arrival of German troops on the Albanian front, shipped from Trieste, as a token of gesture that the Axis alliance still exists.

Potain's Shock
For Abetz

The need for such gesture has been suggested by the intense underground activity in Vichy, giving impetus to hints of a German plan to throw Italy into the disaster to secure France's full collaboration. Marshal Petain's summary dismissal of M. Laval, unhappily for the diplomatic analysts, hardly fits in to perfect pattern. On German intervention through Otto Abetz, Marshal Petain subsequently gave Laval his freedom, but refused to restore him to official rank in the Vichy Cabinet, and Abetz probably needed little persuasion that "a thoroughly discredited Laval had lost his immediate value to plans for carrying through the Nazi purpose. Flaminio Piccoli, the new plenipotentiary, in which Weygand, secured in North Africa, stands out in bold relief.

SCRUTATOR.

Battle Of Ideas:
Towards The New Democracy

By J. B. Priestley

DURING this war, or immediately after it, Britain either must achieve a new democracy or go Fascist.

Why Fascist? Because if the forces of reaction can resist the demand for a new democracy, they will be compelled to use so many repressive measures that the result will be Fascism. There is, in my opinion, no alternative. We cannot stay long as we are. Either we drop back into reaction and repression or we go forward to achieve a new democratic order.

Nearly all persons who think at all about these matters—and I could produce ample evidence to support this—are fighting this war not merely to defeat Adolf Hitler and his kind but also to bring about this new democracy.

For nearly 10 years before the war, Britain was being run by a small plutocratic clique which produced one of the worst governments this country ever has known. Our entrance into the war soon proved that this ruling class was no longer capable of ruling efficiently; that virtue had gone out of it. We did not begin to fight the war properly until the base of government was broadened. But it is still not nearly broad enough. This is recognised by everybody except the small, but influential, group of persons who put their own privileges before anything else.

People Want More Say

I do not think for a moment that promises from our high or

postwar reforms such as better housing, more employment, new opportunities for workers will satisfy the people of this country. They do not want more presents from the Government. They want to have more say in the Government themselves. This means, among other things, electoral reforms which are long overdue. It means greater public control of such things as finance and foreign policy. It means a wholesale re-education of privilege. It means a complete overhauling of civil service and the educational system.

We shall not have a better Britain until the complete social revolution, which already is taking place in the minds of the people, is put into effect. The social pyramid, the influence of which in political and economic affairs can hardly be exaggerated, has to come crashing down. It already has received a bomb or two, and must sustain more damage if the war is to be fought successfully. But it must not be replaced again after the war. It must come down and be replaced by a very different social structure.

What we have had for years is a kind of masquerade in which government by financial big business, and vested interests is disguised as a charming feudalism.

The dark little industrial town is very ugly and depressing and hardly shows any signs of truly urban civilisation, but not too far away is a delightful old country mansion in its park-like grounds. So forget the town and concentrate on the mansion. That was

Britain and we have had enough of it. Remember, it is the town that is dying and defeating Hitler for it is the town that receives his bombs, that manufactures the Spitfires and Hurricanes, that sends its lads to man the planes, ships, and guns.

Common People Hailed

It is not the British ruling class, which wobbled and whined for years until Herr Hitler was firmly established, that has aroused the admiration of the world, but the common people of Britain, who have come out of their sleep not only to defend such liberties as they already have but also to demand more liberty.

We were told by the dictators—and the twisted Laval was saying it all over again a day or two ago—that democracy was extinct. We are proving on every field of life that democracy is very much alive. That it can fight like a wounded lion. But that is only half of it. The next step, which cannot be postponed until end of the war, is to show that democracy is a creative principle and that what the world has been suffering from is not too much of it but too little of it.

The first sign of a genuine approaching revolution in human affairs is a widespread and deep mental and spiritual unrest coupled with a general sense of frustration.

I may claim to be in touch through my radio-casting and

newspaper articles with a very large cross section of the British people and I do not hesitate to declare that I find that deep mental and spiritual unrest, that growing sense of frustration, in these people to-day. They are ready to break Herr Hitler, but they are also ready to break any imitation Hitler's nearer home. They are ripe for new opportunities and responsibilities, for sudden enlargements of democratic principle.

Just as the people hurled themselves into a prodigious war effort, so they can hurl themselves into the task of building a great new Britain. When they can form a government that makes the test of every policy and action: "How does this benefit the people?" and not: "How does this benefit our important friends?" The full creative energies of whole classes, hitherto frustrated, will be released, with the result that what at one time would have been thought miracles of social reconstruction can be accomplished.

If this seems unduly optimistic, would remind you that these very classes—skilled, scientific, professional, technical, skilled in all trades—are precisely those that are most necessary to the modern world. Set them to work, not for some privileged group but for their wives and daughters, sons and brothers, and but of the brave ruins of this war there can arise, as if by magic, great new cities, fit habitations for an indomitable free people.

U.S. INSISTS ON STATUS QUO

Mr. Cordell Hull Adds Emphasis To Mr.

TINKER TAILOR SOLDIER AIRMAN

The fact that the R.A.F. is fast developing wide Imperial significance is seen in the latest list of awards of the D.S.O., D.F.C. and D.F.M.

The list includes Airmen from England, Scotland, Ireland, Australia, New Zealand and South Africa. Peacetime callings of recipients include salesman, clerk, miner and perfumery chemist. — British Wireless.

Grew's Hint In Tokyo

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

THE UNITED STATES SECRETARY OF STATE, MR. CORDELL HULL, YESTERDAY SUPPORTED AMBASSADOR GREW'S POSITION IN TOKYO BY ASSERTING THAT AMERICA'S POLICY OF INSISTING ON THE STATUS QUO IN THE FAR EAST STILL STANDS.

Mr. Hull called attention to past declarations of policy, which had not been changed.

The American Note to Japan on December 31, 1938, which had never been answered, said Mr. Hull, declared: "This Government reserves all rights of the United States as they exist and does not give assent to any impairment of those rights."

Mr. Hull said there had been no deviation from that position. The Secretary of State's remarks followed Mr. Grew's speech in Tokyo, which is generally regarded in Washington as a clear warning that the United States will call any German-inspired "reparation of bluff" by Japan. — International News Service.

BATTLE THROUGH SEA OF CLOUD

The resource with which British bomber crews tackle bad weather is well shown in an Air Ministry news bulletin yesterday giving details of the raids on the Ruhr.

"The weather over Germany would have baffled any navigators but those of the R.A.F." It is stated, "and if our aircraft had not been built to stand every test it would have been impossible to attempt any raid at all."

Our bombers were detailed to attack synthetic oil plants at Gelsenkirchen, the inland port of Duisburg-Ruhrport, a power station near Cologne and other objectives in the Ruhr. Whenever they went our pilots told the same story of cold and cloud. Many reported having to climb or descend in order to avoid fog.

Some aircraft were over Germany as early as 7 p.m. and others came in at intervals until the early hours of the morning, but at no time was there anything but unfavourable.

Incendiaries and H.E. At Duisburg-Ruhrport, between 8.30 and 9.30, there were some intervals when our pilots could see the ground. "We had flown for a very long way," one of them said, "with nothing but a sea of cloud beneath. When the navigator told us we were there we circled round for about twenty minutes."

It was a distinct score for the navigator because there was Duisburg-Ruhrport showing quite clearly below. "The hole in the clouds was small but enough for our purpose. We dropped our incendiaries at once and then high explosive bombs."

A large number of incendiaries and high explosive bombs were dropped on synthetic oil plants at Gelsenkirchen, Bursat were seen on the target and at least two large fires started.

High explosive bombs were seen to explode on a power station near Cologne, and a nearby railway junction was raided. A low level attack was made on a goodsyard at Bonn, and goodsyards at Munchengladbach were also attacked. — British Wireless.

SHEFFIELD'S SEVERE RAID

The First Lord of the Admiralty, Mr. A. V. Alexander, inspected the bombed areas of Sheffield yesterday and congratulated citizens on the way they stood up to one of the "heaviest attacks yet experienced in this country."

Mr. Alexander said it was most encouraging to find the magnificent spirit amongst the workers and to find them again at work. "I say to them," he added, "that their efforts will provide ships, guns and projectiles which will in the end give us victory in the battle in which sea power will be decisive." — British Wireless.

COST OF LIVING RISES IN BRITAIN

The official cost of living figure for November 30 last was 93% above the July, 1914, level according to a Ministry of Labour and National Service bulletin yesterday. The rise of three points since November 1 last equals about 1 1/2%.

For food alone on November 30 the figure was 73 points above the July, 1914, level.

Clothing — partly due to the



Victims of the air raids on London, a number of them from the East End area, are being given temporary shelter and fed at Windsor, until other arrangements for their billeting can be made. This photo shows a little toddler beneath the table, who evidently did not relish the daily dose of medicine given to the homeless children. (Copyright, Fox).

Full Powers To New Office To Speed Up Armaments

THE FORMATION of a new Office of Production Management for Defence, to head the enormous programme for rearming the nation while producing arms for Britain, was announced by President Roosevelt at a special press conference in Washington.

Mr. William Knudsen, Chairman of the Defence Commission, will be Director of the new Office, with Mr. Sidney Hillman, now Defence Commission member for labour problems, as associate director.

ETON'S FAMOUS FLOGGING BLOCK BURIED IN RAID

Many documents and books have been rescued in salvage work after the bombing at Eton College, it was revealed in London yesterday.

The ancient flogging block still lies beneath debris but a number of birches have been retrieved almost undamaged. — British Wireless.

TRUANT'S EXPLOITS

Lieut.-Commander H. A. V. Haggard, R.N., who is well-known in Hong Kong, where he was married a few months before the outbreak of war, has again sprung into the news, for he has been operating in command of H.M. Submarine Truant with great success during the past week off Southern Italy.

On the night of December 13/14, Truant attacked a heavily escorted convoy off the "toe" of Italy. One ship was sunk, and another one possibly went to the bottom as well.

On the night of December 15/16, Truant torpedoed and sank a large oil tanker off Southern Italy. The tanker was deeply laden, and proceeded southwards at the time.

Earlier this year, Truant torpedoed the 6,000-ton German cruiser Karlsruhe and intercepted the German ship Edmund Hugo Stinnes, which scuttled herself.

It was Lieut. Commander Haggard, in Truant, also, who rescued the crew of the British steamer Hoxby, who were being taken to Germany on board a captured Norwegian vessel. — Reuter.

Purchase Tax — and coal were items other than food contributing to the rise. — British Wireless.

The two other members of the Office will be Mr. Henry Stimson (Secretary for Army) and Colonel Frank Knox (Secretary for Navy).

President Roosevelt said the Defence Commission would remain exactly as it is but implied it would be superseded in many of its functions by the new Office, which will start work in about ten days.

Decision to establish the new Office was reached at a conference on Friday with the Defence Commission, Mr. Stimson, Col. Knox and their under-secretaries.

Full Powers

President Roosevelt said the new Office would have full power to make its own decisions, which would be reached unanimously without voting.

Asked whether he thought the latest defence plan would result in material speeding up of the armament programme, the President said he would not say that because the programme had been gaining speed every 24 hours. — Reuter.

Strange Grim Xmas

The Home Secretary, Mr. Herbert Morrison, has sent a Christmas message to the police of England and Wales in which he praises the force for the maintenance of their high traditions and magnificent showing under the test of battle.

"This will be a strange and grim Christmas for all of us," said Mr. Morrison. "We shall all spend it as soldiers of the battle line. Yet even war in our midst cannot shatter the essential Christmas spirit, neighbourliness and goodwill for which there never was a greater need and of which there have been so many splendid examples in the hard months through which we have been passing."

The times ahead may well be even harder — and call for even greater efforts and sacrifices. Let us draw inspiration for the long fight from the lessons of goodwill and cooperation which Christmas teaches. — British Wireless.



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SERVICE FOR LATE LORD LOTHIAN

The King was represented by the Earl of Clarendon, the Lord Chamberlain, at the Memorial Service to Lord Lothian at Westminster Abbey at which Lord Halifax and other members of the Government and Mr. Lloyd George were present.

The Prime Minister was represented by Mr. Brendan Bracken, M.P. — British Wireless.



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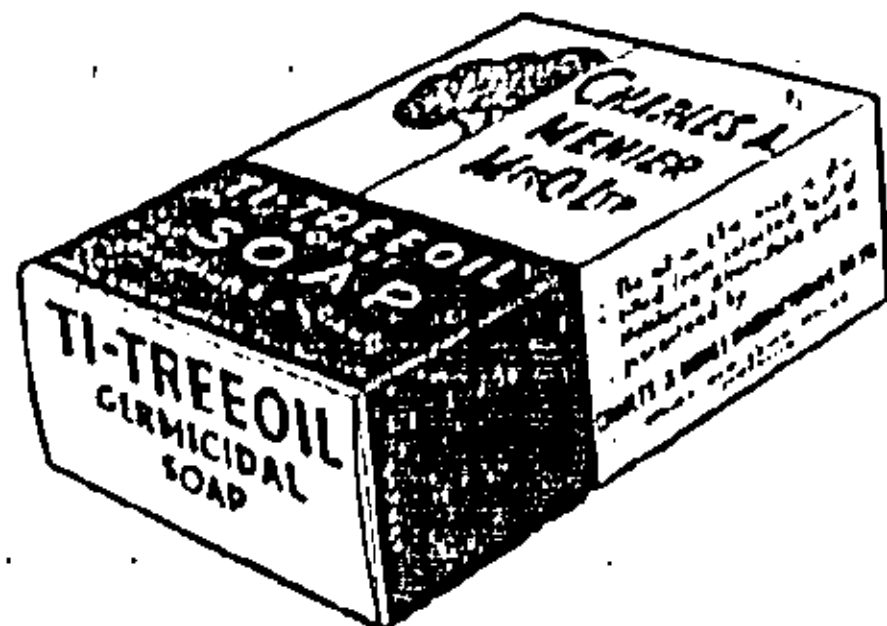
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trimming edge
the wide
sweeping brim.



(Left) — IT
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a spiderweb
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which trims
the brim.



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The morning, just after arising, is the best time to do these exercises—out in the open air if you can, or before an open window. No deep breathing exercises should be practiced directly after any meal—three hours should elapse.

General Tonic (Exercise 1.)

Stand erect with both hands at

your sides, head up, eyes looking forward.

(a) Exhale energetically, saying "ssss" between your teeth, to clear your lungs.

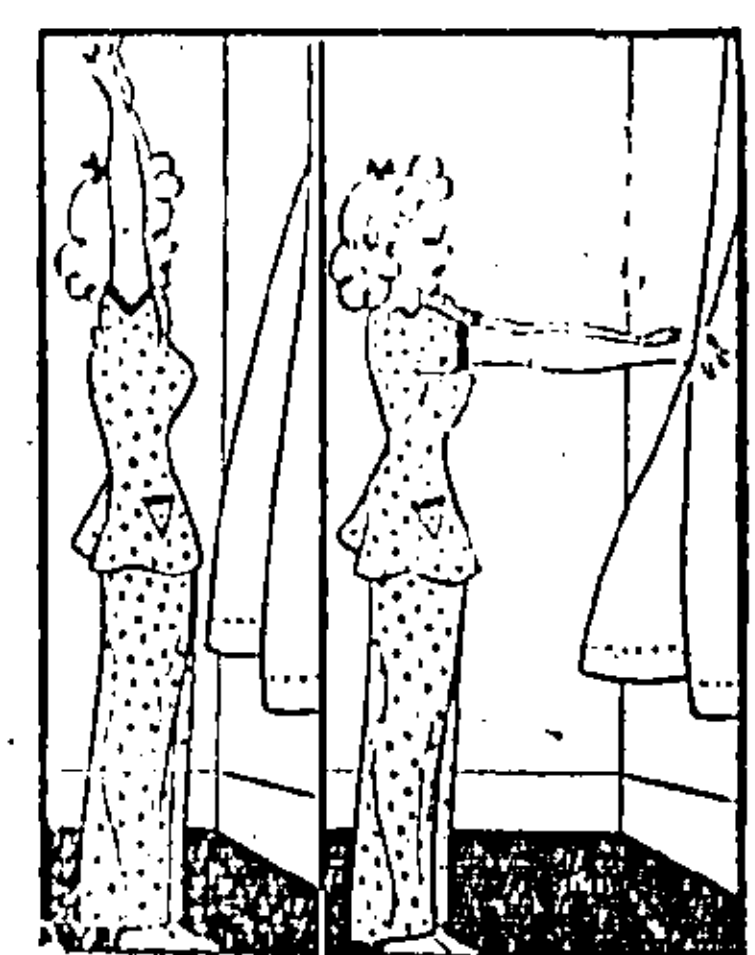
(b) Place your hands on your hips. Inhale a complete breath moderately fast; hold for a few seconds; exhale slowly saying "ssssssss". Keep the chest high as long as possible and do not let it sink until the last part of the breath is let out of your lungs.

(c) Take several cleansing breaths, and repeat (a) and (b) several times. This has a very definite tonic effect. It pepes you up immediately.

For Greater Lung Capacity

Stand in good posture, with arms at sides.

(a) Exhale energetically, saying "ssssssss" between the teeth to clear your lungs again.



(b) Inhale very deeply and moderately fast, lifting the arms straight above the head; hold for two or three seconds and then ex-

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hale "ssssssss" slowly, and bring the arms to a horizontal position in front of the body.

(c) Then drop the arms to the side, at the end of the breath.

(d) Take several cleansing breaths, and pause before repeating the exercise again. Repeat several times.

Important

Care should be taken that the back is kept straight during the above two exercises. Most persons do not use, as a rule, more than two-thirds of their full lung capacity. These exercises tend to force the fresh air down into the lower part of the lungs and thus put an unused source of energy for which your body is grateful.

Those Short Skirts

When Dame Fashion decrees we wear our skirts seventeen inches from the ground that means our legs will be revealed whether they are good-looking or not! This fashion rule is certainly drawing attention to the legs of women (don't be shocked) and it behooves us to get busy and make them more beautiful!

There are definite corrective exercises to firm leg muscles and slim contours, and if your legs are not proportionately lovely you should select a few exercises which will refashion them. Even slightly bowed legs can be greatly improved through spine and leg exercises, if they are practiced diligently.

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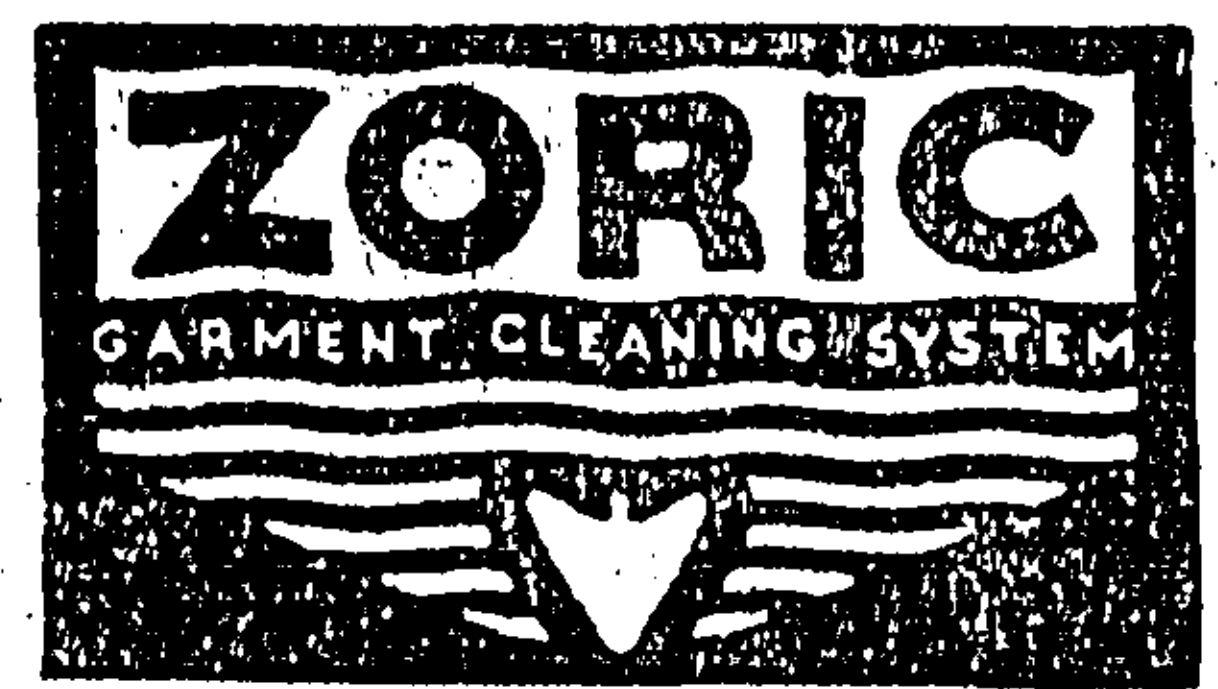
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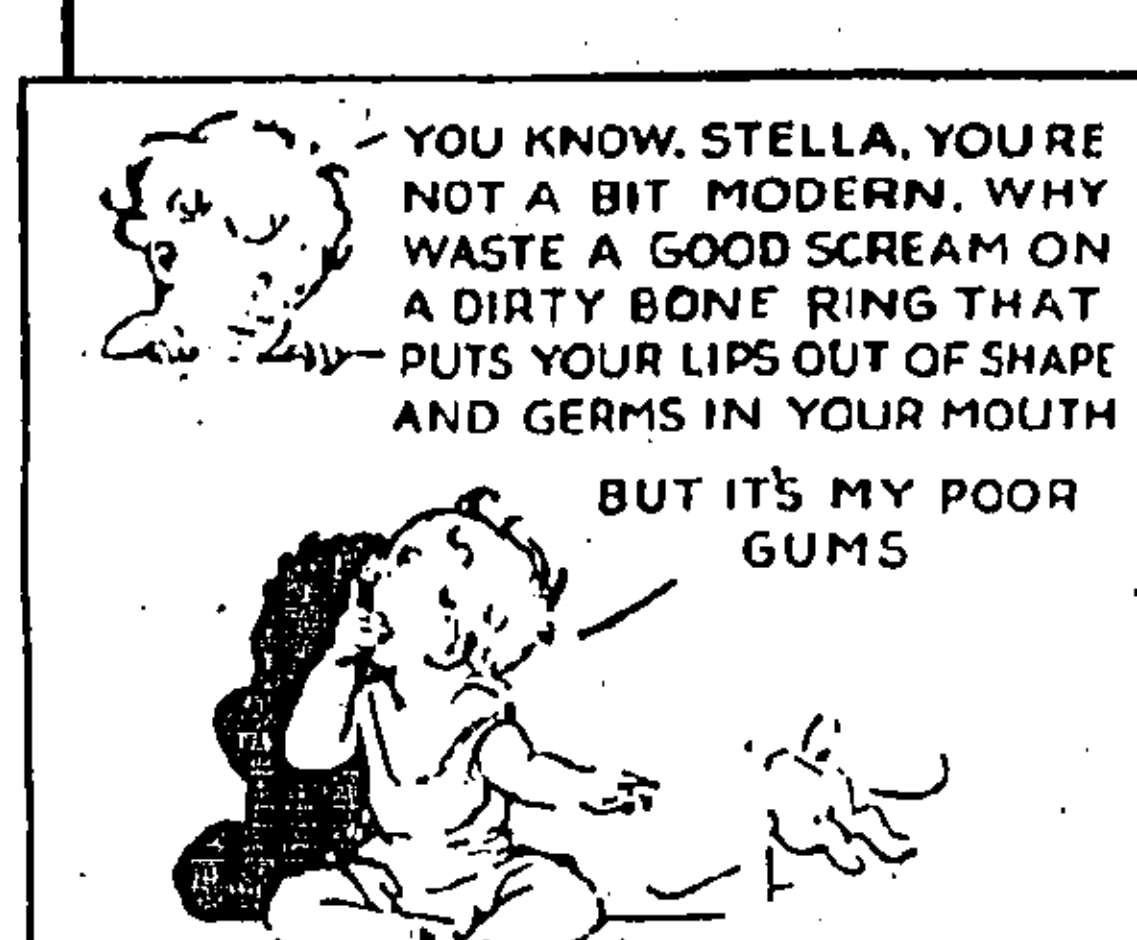
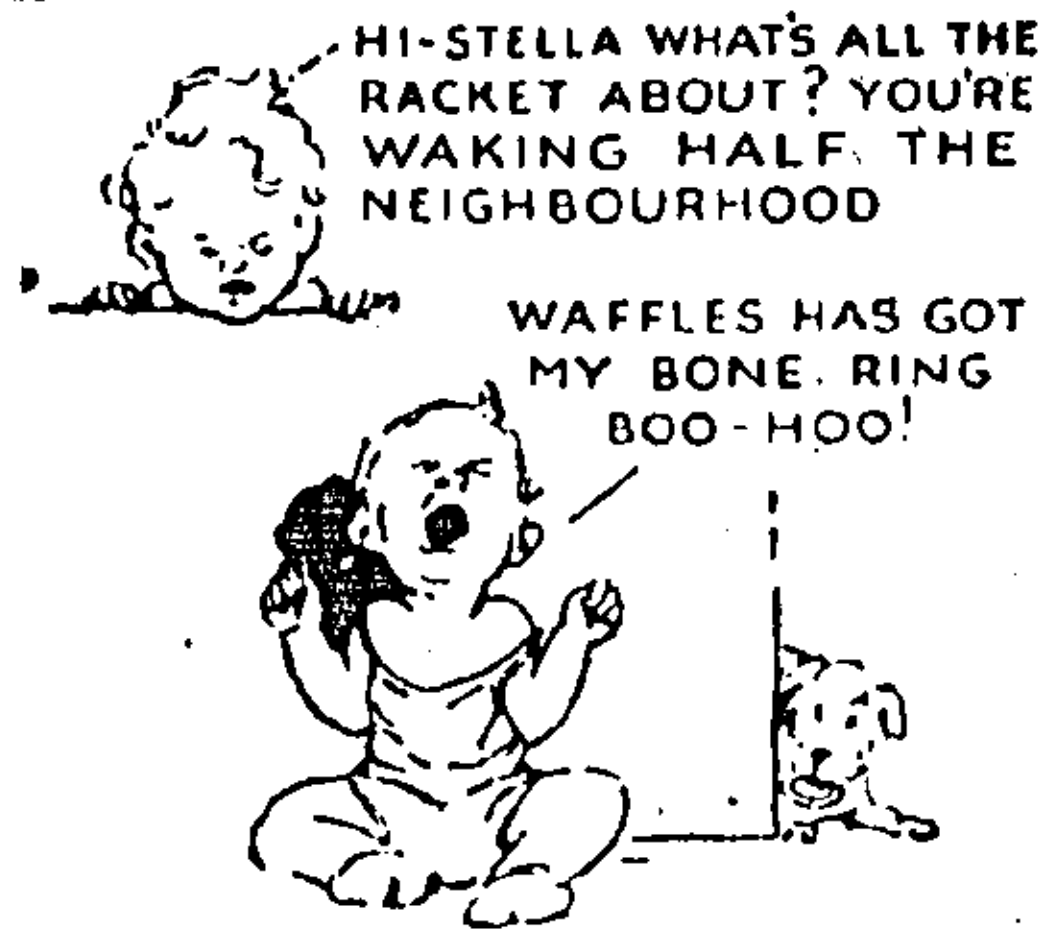
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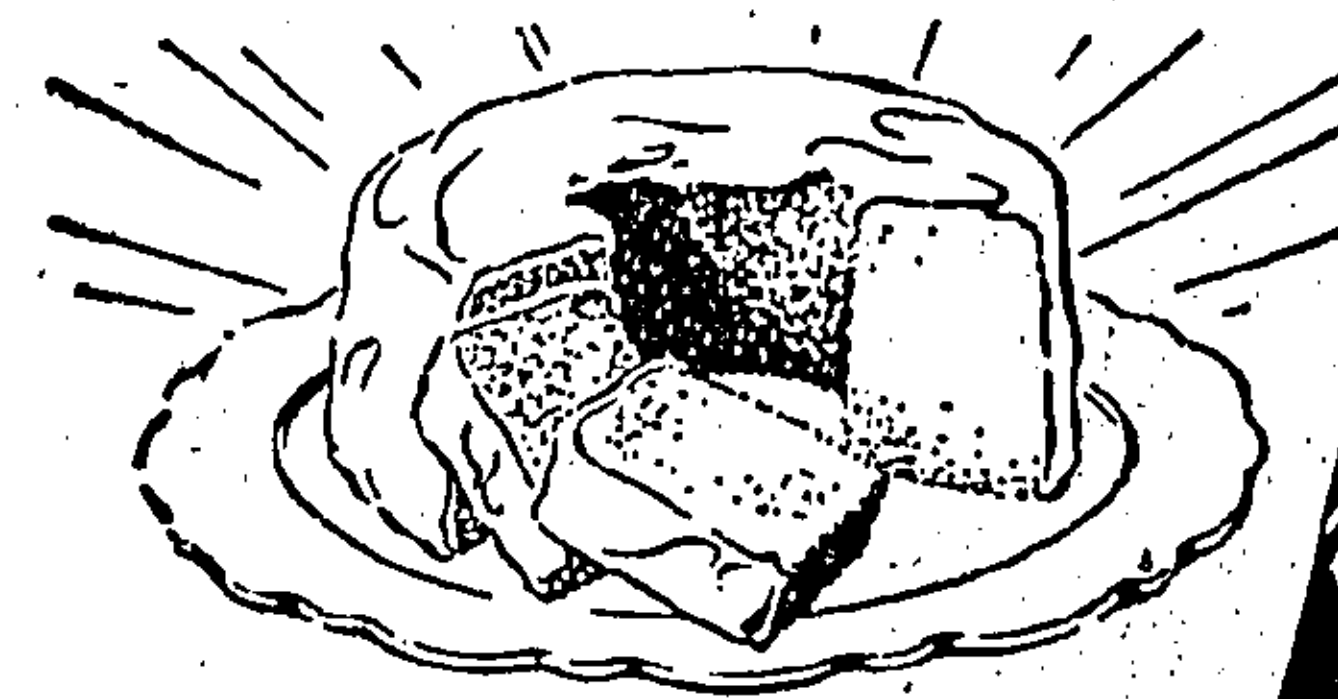
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12.15 p.m.—Tchaikowsky — 1812 Overture. The Philharmonic Orchestra with the Ural Coasacks' Choir conducted by Alexander Kischin.

12.32 p.m.—Songs by Amelita Galli-Curci (Soprano). The Gypsy and the Bird (Benedit) ... with Auto obbligato by C. Barone. Carriations (Valverde)... Little Star (Ponce)... with Piano accompaniment.

Russian Nightingale Song (Al-bief)... with flute obbligato by Clement Barone.

12.42 p.m.—Grleg-Holberg, Suite, Op. 49.

Part 1: Prelude and Sarabande; Part 2: Gavotte; Part 3: Air; Part 4: Rigodon... London String Orchestra cond. by Walter Goehr.

1.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 p.m.—Piano Duets by Rawicz and Landauer.

Chopiniana (arr. Rawicz & Landauer).

Waltz Memories from Vienna (arr. Rawicz & Landauer).

Schubert Time (arr. Rawicz & Landauer).

1.15 p.m.—Light Orchestral Selections.

Dark Eyes (Russian Gipsy Air); Hungarian Dance No. 5 (Brahms)... Rode & His Tri-gones.

Liebesleid (Kreislner); Liebes-fraud (Kreislner)... Vienna Bo-heme Orchestra.

Berceuse (Jarnoffelt)... John Barbieri & His Orchestra.

1.30 p.m.—Reuter & Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 p.m.—Puccini's "La Boheme" Act II & III. Singers in order of appearance: Luigi Marini, Gino Vanelli, Rosetta Pam-punini, Trancardi Passero, Aris-tide Baracchi, Giuseppe Nesi, Salvatore Baccaloni, Luba Mil-rella, and Local Chorus of La Scala, Milan, with Orchestra.

2.30 p.m.—Close down.

7.00 p.m.—London Relay — The News.

7.15 p.m.—London Relay — The News and News Commentary.

7.30 p.m.—Studio-Talk by Edwin Haward.

7.45 p.m.—Richard Tauber (Tenor) and De Groot and His Or-chestra.

Evening (Easthope Martin); Desert Song—Waltz (Rom-berg)... De Groot & The Pic-cadilly Orchestra.

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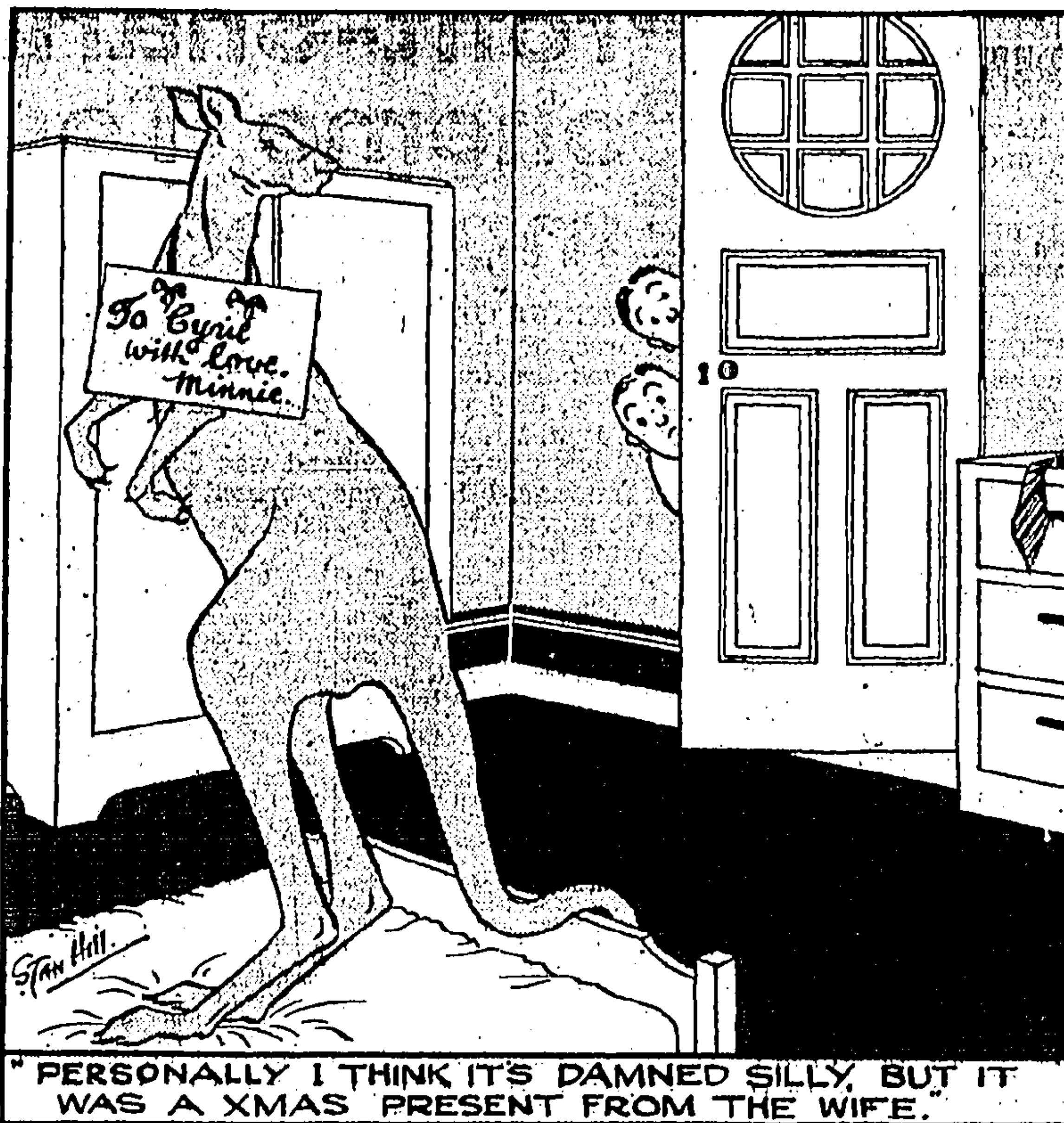
Autumn (Czaminade)... De Groot & His Orchestra.

8.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announce-ments.

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EVERYDAY ENGLAND

By Kathleen Conyngham Greene,

The prevailing smell in the Church was that of apples. There were pears, too, in the baskets at the foot of the pulpit steps, late plums, some melons from Mrs. Ritchie's hothouse. A sheaf of wheat leaned against one chance pillar, a sheaf of oats against another.

Vicar had been rather short about turning the Church Harvest Festival into a vegetable growing competition. He would have no weighing of marrows. The three marrows of gigantic size that lay at the foot of the font were not labelled, of course. But most of the congregation knew the gardens they came from.

"I'd not be surprised if Mr. Diggins were to beat Jack Spade this year..." Late arrivals were pushed into seats by agitated sidesmen. The hot, excited face of a choir boy peered round the vestry door. He signalled to the organist.

"Hymn three hundred and eighty-three," said the Vicar's sonorous voice. "We plough the fields and scatter. The good seed on the land." The Vicar's nephew preached the sermon. He was a Chaplain in the Navy now, on a few days' leave from his ship. Older mem-bers of the congregation remem-bered him as Master Charles, a regular limb of a boy! He let a bat out once, in Vicarage drawing-room, time there was a spewing meeting on, climbed the outside of the Church tower and fixed a flag, year Oxford—or was it Cam-bridge?—won the Boat Race. He had been in some of those Nor-way battles and mentioned for devotion to duty.

"They rejoice before Thee, ac-cording to the joy in harvest," said Master Charles. "This is a festival of thanksgiving!" Anyone who was what old par-son-poor Herrick called a "rural youngling" in Britain before the last Great War always feels a thrill at the words Harvest Home, a day which put the Church Har-vest Festival quite in the shade! Long tables set up in the barn and laden with food and drink. Country songs of almost intermin-able length. "Country dances of the olden time." Little changed since Herrick wrote of them in "Idylls" three hundred years before. They are not dead in the English country even to-day, when the rustic ploughman drives a machine, and the milk-maid is a "landgirl" in breeches! But what would Herrick have said to that strange foreign plant the potato, as one of our principal foodstuffs? Or to fields of British beet giving us an annual sugar harvest of five hundred thousand tons?

If a prophet were to have told us a year ago that we should be facing a second winter of war without our usual food supplies from Scandinavia, the Low Coun-tries, France, and our own boun-tiful Channel Isles, we should have expected starvation! If the prophet had added that those then opulent lands would be the ones to go hungry while we were fed, we should have said he was mad! Madder still if he had added that we should then have, in the country three million men under arms, of Britain and Great-er Britain and four separate for-ign armies! And that complaints about Army catering would still be of waste, and not of short-ages, of food!

"Dig for Victory" has been a useful battle cry. There are thousands of acres that were waste land a year ago and are now pro-lific kitchen gardens. Many people, who hardly knew the taste, have learned the delight of fresh green vegetables—and the pride that comes from eating "our own grown stuff."

The foundation foods—bread, milk, cheese, fish—are plentiful and unrationed. Our meat ration has lately been increased. The private tea drinker takes his tea rationing cheerfully, knowing that thousands of can-cans, all over the country, are giving tea, as well as hot soup, to soldiers, munition workers, air-raid wardens, members of first aid posts, at all hours of the day and night, with full meals to families whose houses, or means of cooking, have been damaged by what a small boy called the "banging bombs."

Fair distribution and controlled prices have meant a level stand-ard of living which, if the rich-er got less than they may have had before the war, means that the poorer probably gets more—with milk at special prices for those who want it most.

It has been a wonderful year for the harvests of wild crops. Government released a huge stock of sugar, and women all over the country have made thousands of pounds of blackberry jam. Bees have been busy, and honey combs are full. The long drought held back the mushrooms. Their white, full-moon faces are now looking up from the fields.

Oaks have been thick with acorns. Doves of pigs have eaten them under the trees. In pigless districts the acorns have been collected in sacks and sent where the pigs can grow fat on them. No one has been clear enough about the war-time value of horse-chestnuts to forbid the age-old autumn game of "con-kers." Small boys, screaming with excitement, have rushed about under the chestnut trees, filling their caps and pockets with the nuts.

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SWIMMING GALA IN JANUARY

WITH THE NEWS THAT THE INTERPORT AGAINST MANILA HAD BEEN ABANDONED LITTLE HAS BEEN HEARD OF SWIMMING, WHICH AFTER ALL IS NOW OUT OF SEASON.

It is interesting to learn therefore that arrangements are in hand for a gala to be held in the heated bath of European Y.M.C.A. in the course of next month. A plan in view is the raising of funds, and, if only for the unique experience of watching a swimming contest in January, there is little doubt that a large gallery will be attracted.

And, from what has been learned, the gala will be worth attending. Behind the scheme is the Lat Tsun Swimming Union, which has given to local swimming Chan Chun-nam among many popular personalities.

Together with European "Y", Lat Tsun will provide the main items on the programme which will be made even more attractive by the appearance of some of the best swimmers in the Colony, who will be invited to assist.

Lat Tsun have been allowed special facilities by European Y.M.C.A. for training purposes, and they have been hard at it for the last fortnight.

It is to be hoped that this very worthy and enterprising cause will receive the support it deserves.

AN EXTREMELY INTERESTING CRICKET MATCH HAS BEEN ARRANGED FOR NEXT SUNDAY. IT WILL BE BETWEEN CLUB DE RECREIO SENIOR LEVEL 1 AND A TEAM FROM NO. 3 MACHINE-GUN COMPANY OF THE HONG KONG VOLUNTEER DEFENCE CORPS.

Recreio, it is understood, will be turning out their strongest possible team, while the Machine-Gunners, with the leading players from Kowloon Cricket Club, Craighengower Cricket Club and University, on whom to call, have selected a team which should be capable of extending any side in the Colony.

The Volunteer team will be drawn from the following players:—D. J. N. Anderson, E. C. Fincher, E. Zimmermann, F. R. Zimmermann, A. Zimmermann, N. A. E. Mackay, D. Hung, G. Winch, W. K. Way, T. T. Broadbridge, W. L. Ranley, T. A. Madar, C. N. Matthews, and S. A. Reed.

The match will be a whole-day affair and will start at 11 a.m.

FOOTBALL'S LOSSES

Only six Service footballers on League clubs' lists when war began have lost their lives. They are:—Tom Cooper, the Liverpool and England right back, Robert Gordon (Huddersfield Town right half-back), J. M. Carr (Sheffield United back), Frank Carpenter (Manchester United inside left), Stanley Docking (Tranmere Rovers inside left), and Grenville (Nottingham Forest inside right).

HYDE-LAY & ATKINS IN FINAL

Following are the latest Club lawn bowls tournament results:

KOWLOON C.C.
Handicap Singles
Fourth Round:—R. T. Broadbridge (plus 3) received a walk-over from J. Hempsey (plus 8).

Kowloon B.C.C.
Club Championship
Third Round:—E. A. Atkins beat R. Duncan; A. M. Holland beat J. Fraser; Semi-Final:—E. A. Atkins beat A. M. Holland; A. Hyde-Lay beat W. S. Drake.

Vice-President's Cup
Second Round:—W. Houston beat J. E. Henson; Third Round:—A. J. Hall beat A. M. Holland; G. Sheriff beat E. V. Searle.

President's Cup
Third Round:—A. Hyde-Lay beat D. W. Waterston; Semi-Final:—A. Hyde-Lay beat A. J. Hall; L. Sykes beat A. M. Holland.

ANSWERS

- (Questions on Page 19)
1. No. The referee is the sole judge of time. He uses his discretion with regard to allowances for loss of time through accident or other causes.
 2. When the whole of the ball has crossed the goal-line or touch-line, whether on the ground or in the air, or when the game has been stopped by the referee.
 3. It was a perfectly good goal. Time is not allowed to be extended in either half except for the taking of a penalty-kick. Allowance shall be made in either period for all time lost through accident or other causes, the amount of which being a matter for the discretion of the referee.
 4. Caution him, and if the player still persists in encroaching he should be ordered off.
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K.C.C. REAP BENEFIT OF LAST SEASON

By "Adrom"

THE BADMINTON LEAGUE HAS NOW BEEN UNDER WAY TWO WEEKS AND, ALTHOUGH LITTLE PROGRESS HAS BEEN MADE IN "A" DIVISION, SEVEN OF THE EIGHT MATCHES ON THE "B" DIVISION FIXTURE LIST HAVE BEEN PLAYED—A RECORD THAT AUGURS WELL, HAVING REGARD TO THE FACT THAT VOLUNTEER CAMPS HAVE BEEN IN PROGRESS FOR THE PAST FORTNIGHT.

Thus early in the season several notable results have been returned and, although I may appear to be somewhat premature, I feel that remaining senior matches will merely be formalities as far as deciding the championship is concerned as University, in beating their great rivals

of last year—Chinese Y.M.C.A.—in a most convincing manner, have established beyond doubt that they are the best team in the Colony.

K. H. Choy, their newest recruit from Malaya, arrived here with a big reputation which, in a few appearances, he has enhanced. He was in brilliant form against Chinese "Y" and, in partnership with C. K. Lee, never one of the University's better players hitherto, won three games with the greatest of ease.

Only unfamiliar name in the University team of the year is P. H. Hon, who was on the losing end of one of the two games lost by the undergraduates.

Chinese Y.M.C.A.'s team is much the same as it has been for some seasons past, and only reason I can forward for their poor showing on their own court—last year they beat University at Bridges Street—is their stagnation and improvement on the part of University, who, incidentally, were without that brilliant player and fine sportsman P. K. Hui, as well as K. L. Yong, now in Shanghai.

K. Tong Setback

Outstanding result in Junior Division has been the defeat of the much-heralded Tong team at the hands of Kowloon Cricket Club. Whilst taking into consideration the fact that Richard Lee, one of the best suburban players, was at Camp, I cannot help feeling that Kowloon Tong took the opposition too lightly.

The Chun brothers newcomers of whom much was expected, failed miserably, and in their three games they were able to gather a total of only nine aces! Kowloon Tong, although naturally taken aback, did not give up hopes of winning the title and expect to do better from now on.

K.C.C. are to be congratulated on their success and, as I indicated in an earlier article, now appear to be reaping the benefit of their season in the League last year. Of that team, four players are still

ONE GAME THIS WEEK

Owing to Wednesday being Christmas Day, there will be only one Badminton League match this week, University "B" being at home to Chinese "Y" in "A" Division to-morrow.

When Ernie Zimmermann, an extremely useful player who has been at Camp and was thus unavailable for the first two matches, makes his appearance in the team K.C.C. should do even better.

Chung Wah's Promise

Chung Wah showed their paces last week when beating representative Recreio team, by the convincing margin of 7-2, and they are certain to be well up with the leaders at the end of the season, particularly as Choy Wing-chiu is likely to turn out for their later on.

There is little in the other matches that calls for comment although I feel that special mention must be made of the fine form of the veteran St. Andrew's combination of Fincher and Kew, who won the only three games dropped by Kowloon Tong, in an opening fixture.

W. K. Cornecke, Yacht Club careman, has just left the Colony for Shanghai, where he will spend his Xmas and New Year holidays.

HOCKEY SUCCESSFUL POSITIONAL CHANGES

SIGNALS WERE BEATEN BY A "Y" TEAM BY TWO CLEAR GOALS IN A FRIENDLY HOCKEY GAME AT KING'S PARK YESTERDAY. FOLLOWING A GOALLESS FIRST HALF.

The game was very enjoyable from the players' viewpoint, and "Y" players were continually changing their positions, with the result that there was, as was to be expected, a great deal of individual play.

Saxby and Jordan were two good backs, and when the latter played in the intermediate line he was again prominent. Taylor was also seen in several positions. As a pivot he always worried Spare, the opposing centre-forward, and as a back cleared well. Dunne, at left half, was consistently good and kept his forwards well supplied with passes.

McGahan's Good Goal

McGahan, who was seen on the left-wing in the second half, was dangerous on occasions and scored a good goal, while Hitchcock and Morgan needed constant watching.

The outstanding player in Signals' attack was Price, at inside-right. He worked hard throughout the game and was prominent both with his individual play and his combination with Spare. Sparo and Blount also did well in the forward line.

Verner and Harrington, the backs, cleared well. The latter was up against Smith in the first half and was given a trying time. Gorman, in the pivotal position, was more prominent in the second half.

After a goalless first half "Y" scored through Hitchcock. In the closing minutes of the game McGahan scored from the left-wing with a first-timer from a pass from Coombes.

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SIX HOCKEY TOURNAMENT GAMES TO-DAY

Following is to-day's Tournament Hockey programme and some of the teams:—

Gunballs v N. Other XI (Navy Ground, 11.30 a.m.)
Umpires: K. Hussain and Pirie.

5th A.A. v Police "A" (Lacewood, 11.30 a.m.)
Umpires: W. Wathen and G. Gorman.

Royal Engineers v Recreio (Sookunpon, 11 a.m.)
Umpires: Wellington and E. Vasco.

Khalsa v 2nd M.T.B. (Police Ground, 10 a.m.)
Umpires: J. Dove and Capt. Martin.

University v Central British Association (Pottulam, 10.30 p.m.)
Umpires: R. Vasco and L. Coombe.

R. Signals v Police "B" (Sookunpon, 4 p.m.)
Umpires: L. Saxby and V. Bridle.

TEAMS

Recreio:—M. Mendonca; E. L. Gossato and A. Bastos; P. Yvanovich; W. A. Reed and A. M. Alves; J. Soares; L. Luz; B. T. Gosano; J. Fonseca and A. V. Gosano.

C.B.A.:—Odell; N. D. M. Whitley and Taylor; Parsons; T. B. D. Whitley and B. Uro; D. T. Smith; F. Fowler; Dieke; M. Dunno and Dickford.

Police "A":—Naranjan Singh; Blackbairn and M. Singh; Leslie; Gough and Hayward; Teja Singh; Howlett; Jeabir Singh; Wall and Brown.

Police "B":—Balwant Singh; Mehar Singh and B. Singh; Lohit Singh; Joginder Singh and Darbara Singh; Gurbachan Singh; Rattan Singh; Narwant Singh; Channan Singh and Ajalb Singh.

Khalsa:—U. B. Souza; Kishan Singh; J. S. Grewal; Balwant Singh; M. H. Hassan; Mohinder Singh; Karminder Singh; Avtar Singh; Z. E. P. Singh; Gurbachan Singh and Jangeer Singh.

GAME POSTPONED

The Tournament Hockey match between Punjab Regiment and Dettewers has been postponed, the "Sunday Herald" was informed last night by the H.K. Hockey Association.

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6 DRAWS IN 12 SOCCER LEAGUE MATCHES

Other Games Result As Expected

Eastern Top Senior League For First Time: Sappers Still Unbeaten

Air Force Lucky To Save Point Against Signals

SIX DRAWN GAMES IN A PROGRAMME OF 12 MATCHES WAS THE MAIN FEATURE OF THE FOOTBALL LEAGUE PROGRAMME YESTERDAY, ALL THE OTHER RESULTS BEING MORE OR LESS AS EXPECTED.

Outstanding performance was Club's draw with Navy in First Division, eight goals being scored. Reiertson, the Club leader in the absence of Fowler, scoring three of his side's goals.

As a result of Eastern's win over Middlesex by 4 goals to 2 the former take the lead in First Division for the first time this season. Their nearest rivals, Sing Tao and South China, were not engaged yesterday.

St. Joseph's were fortunate to snatch a point from Royal Scots after being outplayed for the greater part of the game. Gomes scored the equaliser late in the match. This encounter was marred by an incident following which Parnaby received marching orders.



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RESULTS AT A GLANCE & GOAL-SCORERS

FIRST DIVISION				SECOND DIVISION				THIRD DIVISION			
Eastern 4	Middlesex 2	S. China 0	R. Navy 0	Police 0	R. Engineers 3	Signals 1	R.A.F. 1	7th R.A. 2	12th R.A. 2	R. Engineers 0	20th R.A. 0
Hau Ching 4	Wah 2	Wah 2	Wah 2	Wah 2	Wah 2	Wah 2	Wah 2	Wah 2	Wah 2	Wah 2	Wah 2
Chung Yung-sun 1	Royal Scots 1	Royal Scots 1	Royal Scots 1	Royal Scots 1	Royal Scots 1	Royal Scots 1	Royal Scots 1	Royal Scots 1	Royal Scots 1	Royal Scots 1	Royal Scots 1
St. Joseph's 1	Gomes 1	Gomes 1	Gomes 1	Gomes 1	Gomes 1	Gomes 1	Gomes 1	Gomes 1	Gomes 1	Gomes 1	Gomes 1
Kwong Wah 2	Kowloon 2	Kowloon 2	Kowloon 2	Kowloon 2	Kowloon 2	Kowloon 2	Kowloon 2	Kowloon 2	Kowloon 2	Kowloon 2	Kowloon 2
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Gow 1	Kelly 1	Kelly 1	Kelly 1	Kelly 1	Kelly 1	Kelly 1	Kelly 1	Kelly 1	Kelly 1	Kelly 1	Kelly 1

FIRST DIVISION MIDDLESEX SOLVE A PROBLEM

Eastern 4 Middlesex 2

Eastern scored a 4-2 victory over Middlesex at Caroline Hill after leading by 3 goals to 1 in the interval. The Diehards team, in which several positional changes had been made, gave an improved display, and but for sheer bad luck might well have drawn.

Pearson the Diehards seem to have found the solution to their centre-forward problem. He was well in the picture in the first half, and did some good work bringing both Coomer and Thomas into play, but was often unable to take advantage of their resultant centres owing to the close attention of Hau King-shing and Ng Ke-cheung. Given a few games to settle down in the centre berth he gives promise of putting new punch into the Regiment's attack, which so far this season has lacked someone to turn good opportunistic work to account.

Saw worked like a Trojan throughout at inside-left, though he was sometimes too far back when an attack developed and the ball came across the goalmouth with only Pearson up to challenge two or three defenders.

COOMER STRAYED More over might have been made of Coomer, who, while far from having his own way on the wing, generally broke through to centre when he did get the ball. On two occasions, once in the first half and again after the interval, he had a hand in striking the cross-bar with smashing shots that Lau Hin-hon could never have reached.

Eastern's forwards worked together with a fine understanding. Chung Yung-sun and Hau Ching-to were fast and dangerous. The latter, besides being responsible for two of his side's goals, was instrumental in placing Eastern in an attacking position repeatedly during the latter stages of the game. Most of their efforts followed good midfield work by C. T. Tsao, a clever ball-controller.

Bright, the Diehards' pivot, had his toughest assignment so far this season in dealing with the Chinese centre-forward. He was often well beaten, but he was as often on top.

SHEEHAN SETTLES DOWN Freshwater and Sheehan, hard put to it at times, cleared their lines by determined play. Sheehan quickly settled down in his old position, but was not as strong in his clearances as his partner.

Eastern took the lead after five minutes play when Hau Ching-to came in from the wing to net from a pass by Hyul. Middlesex soon equalised through Saw, but before the interval the Chinese went ahead through Chung Yung-sun and V. K. Hyul. After the interval Hau Ching-to took Eastern's score to four, and towards the end Thomas came in from the left wing to reduce the arrears for Middlesex.

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on the wrong foot. However, praise is due to him for the way in which he got the whole team moving in the first half, for he was the live wire of his line and instilled confidence into his men by forceful tactics.

Hosack worked hard and fully deserved his goal. He was carefully watched by A. Leonard who, particularly in the second half, allowed him little scope, but the centre-forward did not produce the quality of football expected from him. Cook, playing in his first game for the senior side, had little to do, and Garvie, on the right-wing, had hard luck with several attempts which fully tested Tang.

Tsang, in goal for the Saints, did not impress, being often out of position. Only poor shooting by the opposing forwards and very good luck prevented him from having more goals scored against him. D. Leonard was the better full-back and was prominent with fine clearances in difficult situations. Minner, at left-half, gave a sterling display and his passes were always accurate. In the first half he repeatedly fell back to aid the defence, and this he did with skill and confidence.

LEONARD SHAPES WELL A. Leonard had a difficult proposition in Hosack, but after a shaky start he settled down to his job and carried it out successfully. The right-wing combination of Chen Tak-fan and Santos was a constant source of danger to the Royals' defence, and they were responsible for opening up the way for their team's goal.

Although the superiority of the Navy was in doubt, Kowloon were not disgraced. Playing with only nine men, this young team showed that they can certainly take it and come back for more. Praise is due to them for their fine sportsmanship and for the keenness that did not desert them throughout the whole game.

The Navy half-back line did not settle down and never combined really successfully. O'Regan, playing in an unaccustomed position, failed to impress, although his kicking was always clean. He had a lively opponent in Ali and was often beaten by the smaller forward with the ball. Wilkinson, at centre-forward, was the live wire of the attack and he crowned a good performance with three well-deserved goals.

Salter, in goal for Kowloon, gave a brilliant display, and was largely responsible for keeping the score down. His anticipation was excellent and his clever handling of the ball evoked much applause from the spectators. Mendonca was the better of the two backs and caught the eye on many occasions. His firm kicking and resolute tackling did much to hold the Navy forward in check. The half-backs worked hard, and found a difficult time against Wilkinson. Matthews was the pick of the forward line, and with Ali made up a combination that would have been very dangerous if the rest of the team had been able to give them proper support.

SOUND DEFENCES Middlesex 0 S. China 0

Middlesex gave a rousing display to force a goalless draw with South China at Caroline Hill. For Middlesex, Revell and Blackburn were outstanding. The former tackled strongly and his first-time clearances often put an end to good approach work by the Chinese forwards that had taken the half-backs off their balance.

The Diehards' attack saw plenty of the ball, and Bullen, on the left-wing, broke away in fine style on a number of occasions to centre accurately. Wong Sul-ki and Liu Fook-yuen, however, rarely got too wrong, though there were times when they were forced to clear without being able to consider placing their clearance.

The majority of South China's attacking moves developed along the left flank, where Leung Ping-kwan was given to make a score by Dawes. Chin Chi-fai was better held, and was rarely allowed to finish off his efforts.

Conspicuous in the Regiment's attack was McEwen, a hard worker who deserves full praise for a goal and persistent game.

BORROWED REFEREE Police 0 Engineers 3

A very poor game was seen at Boundary Street, where Hong Engineers defeated Police by

three goals to nil after leading 2-0 at half time.

No referee was present and a spectator had to fill this position, on top of which the game did not start until just gone three o'clock, half an hour late.

Palmer played well until he was injured and had to go to outside-right. Spencer, promoted from the second team, played a good robust game, while Birrell, at left-back in place of Palmer, gave a very complete display. The halves were distinctly weak, and the forwards had no idea of combination, and all their dangerous moves came from individual breakaways. Lee Wai-lam was the most dangerous forward on view, but even he could not have achieved better results had he shown more co-operation.

THE BACKS WERE THE BACKBONE OF THE POLICE TEAM and kept the opposing forwards at bay for most of the game. Mak Hon-fan in particular played a splendid game.

R.A.O.C. REQUIRE NEW LEADER Ordnance 2 Sing Tao 5

At the Valley, Sing Tao defeated Ordnance by 5 goals to 2 after leading 3-0 at the interval. Ordnance should have won the game easily, but their team lacked combination. They have grand individual players in Reynolds, Adams, Stevens, Harland, Emberton and Duffield, but what they lack is a good, dashing centre-forward.

Reynolds could not be blamed for the five goals netted against him. Had it not been for his sterling work and that of Adams the score might well have reached double figures. In the intermediate line, Stevens was outstanding. He roamed a lot, but never gave up trying. Duffield was the highlight of the forward line and the main schemer, and his centres and cross passes were a joy to watch—unfortunately there was never anyone with enough dash to convert them into goals. Harland on the right was also a tryer and netted both Ordnance goals.

TEN MEN LOSE R. Scots 0 Kwong Wah 1

Although Royal Scots fielded only ten men against Kwong Wah at Chatham Road, their display was equally as good as that of their opponents. Kwong Wah emerged winners by the only goal of the match, which was scored in the first half by Law Wing-kul.

Royals lacked the services of Moore, right-half, and this caused extra work to be thrown on to the hands of Gibb and Penman, which they accomplished creditably, while Clarke in goal did a good job of work.

Kwong Wah were ably represented by Chong Nai-fung, Leung Bing-kam and Law Wing-kul.

THIRD DIVISION LAPSE COSTS POINT Signals 1 R.A.F. 1

At Chatham Rd., Signals and R.A.F. shared two goals after a goalless first half. R.A.F. were very fortunate to save a point, as it had not been for a faulty clearance on the part of Pitcher Signals would have emerged worthy winners.

Signals centre-half, Spinks, gave a brilliant display, tackling and clearing faultlessly, and he held the alarm's elusive and dangerous centre-forward Ho Kar-keung in check perfectly. He was well supported by Holland, at left-half, and between them they frustrated all the forward moves the R.A.F. attempted.

The Alrmen's outstanding play was seen in the left-half, where Ho Kar-keung, centre-forward, was

GUNNER DERBY 7th A.A. 2 12th Bty. 2

At the Valley, in a typical "Gunner Derby" 7th A.A. Regt. R.A. shared four goals with 12th Bty. R.A. after being one goal down at the interval.

The highlight of the game was the grand performance of Mulligan, the new A.A. custodian, his performance with much and

himself a higher class of football than Third Division. It was

Club lead Navy 4-1 BUT DRAW 4-4: HAT TRICK FOR REIERTSON

AT SOOKUNPOO yesterday, Club and Navy had a splendid tussle for points in their first Division football encounter, Club being extremely fortunate to stay off defeat after establishing a convincing lead of 4 goals to 1.

Club led away very badly during the last 20 minutes and Navy staged a brilliant revival to score three goals to equalise, and in the closing minutes Hawkins, Navy outside-left, had a goal disallowed for offside!

Up to the time of their falling away, Club had played greatly improved football, and it appeared as though they would completely overwhelm their opponents. Fowler arrived too late for a game, but Club did not feel the loss of his services as Reiertson, playing a storming game in the leader's position, scored a brilliant hat-trick and was mainly responsible for the victory. All the Club's mid-fielders were very fast and positioned themselves well and was a menace to Roughley and Britt throughout the game. Gratton, on the left-wing, played well, but had difficulty in centring on the run. The only other forward to shine was Scott, who distributed to good advantage.

The trio of half-backs worked hard only to fail towards the close, Strange in the pivotal position trying to do far too much in attack instead of assisting an overworked defence, particularly when Navy were pressing heavily towards the close. Upton was very conspicuous, playing a hard, constructive game, keeping his winger in constant check and always finding time to assist the forwards with well-timed passes.

Man Of The Match Sydney Strange was again the player of the match. Having abundant energy, he was always in the thick of the fray and he kicked with sound judgment and to good advantage. His partner, Eardley, was sadly below form and was not too sure in his tackling, often mistakingly to jeopardise his side's position. Had Navy possessed a forward of O'Regan's standard his lapses would have had serious effects on the score.

he who kept the burly 12th Bty. forwards at bay, with the assistance of Diglington and Barsey. In the intermediate line. In the forward line the two wingers, Coughlin and Craven were outstanding, and it is indeed a pity that the former is only a one-foot man.

Taylor and Cooke were two fine backs for the Bty., whilst Miller, at centre-half, was also prominent. The whole forward line played well together.

N. JONES SHINES R.E. 6 20th R.A. 0

At Kowloon, R.E. defeated 20th R.A. by 6-0 after being three goals up at the interval.

T. Jones, who proved to be a solid defence for the R.E.s, and the powerful clearances of the latter were often instrumental in sending the forward line into action. In the intermediate line Moore worked very hard and kept his wing forwards, Cork and Gough, well supplied, whilst E. Jones and Lo Kan-bo were strong tacklers and did much to bottle up the movements of the Gunner forwards. N. Jones was the pick of the R.E. forwards and with Cork and Gough, proved to be the real danger to the Gunners' defence.

Seabrook, in goal for Gunners, was decidedly off form and found the ball on many occasions. Had he been up to his usual standard, the score would not have been so large.

CLUB—Odell; Eardley, S. Strange; Skinner, E. Strange, Upton, Gow, Foulard, Reiertson, Scott and Gratton. NAVY—Robinson; Eardley, Bratt; Honeywill, Croft, Sheppard; Thompson, LePage, Hendy, Kelly and Hawkins.

Club commenced in a whirlwind manner and were soon threatening the Navy citadel. Scott placed the ball nicely to Reiertson, who ran through to beat Robinson with a ground shot. Navy redoubled their efforts and equalised. Hawkins beating Skinner and Eardley before netting with a powerful shot. Swinging into the attack once more, Club nearly went into the lead, only the agile Robinson preventing Reiertson from scoring. The Navy were finding the Club's attacks hard to stave off and a bad mistake by Roughley culminated in the Club taking the lead. A weak pass back to Robinson was intercepted by Reiertson, who placed the ball past the 'keeper. Continuing to have the better of the exchanges Club went further ahead when Reiertson outmanoeuvred Robinson and sent the ball into the net. Reiertson and thus registering his hat-trick.

Navy On Top On the resumption Navy applied pressure for a short time, but were soon back on the defensive. Applying pressure to the fullest extent, Reiertson outwitted Roughley and Britt before centring to Gow, who was standing unmarked and was able to net with comparative ease. This was quickly followed by Club being awarded a penalty, which Robinson saved splendidly. After this Navy revived their efforts and had their opponents on the defensive. Hawkins reducing the arrears. Excitement ran high as Club were hard pressed. Hendy tested Odell with a shot which he only partially saved, and Kelly dashed in to shoot into the unguarded net. Nearing the close Navy were awarded a penalty which Hendy converted to equalise the score.

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NAVY'S BATTLE THROUGH HEAVY GALE

Eye-Witness Story Of Thrilling Exploit In The Adriatic

"Fine Impudence" Of Valona Attack

(From Reuter's Special Correspondent With The British Battle Fleet In The Mediterranean)

AFTER RENDERING EXTREMELY VALUABLE ASSISTANCE TO THE BRITISH LAND FORCES IN EGYPT BY CONTINUOUSLY BLASTING ITALIAN COASTAL POSITIONS, BRITAIN'S FLEET, BATTLING THROUGH APPALLING WEATHER, ON THURSDAY NIGHT FLUNG HER HEAVY GUNS INTO ACTION AT ITALY'S VERY DOORSTEP.

GREEK NAVY IN STRAITS OF OTRANTO

The Greek Navy has emulated the British Fleet's exploit in penetrating into the Adriatic.

The Ministry of Marine in Athens announced yesterday that a Greek destroyer force reconnoitred the Adriatic as far as an island opposite Valona without sighting a trace of the enemy.—Reuter.

Tons of metal were poured into the already badly damaged harbour at Valona, while our own light forces, with fine impudence and in bright moonlight, pushed still further through the Straits of Otranto penetrating as far north as the latitude of Durazzo, with the intention of causing all damage possible to the Italian lines of communication in Albania.

The following day, with the snow-clad mountains of Greece distant on the starboard side, we struck a tremendous storm which drenched sailors described as "just like Narvik" as we dashed for safety.

Action Stations

We were the flotilla leader, so all eyes were strained intently and expectantly ahead as we progressed slowly for two hours, our guns prepared for instant action and torpedo-tubes manned.

An occasional flickering light was visible amid the darkness of the distant Albanian shore but Italy remained pitch-black.

Meanwhile, some miles astern our battleships were taking up positions for shelling Valona.

Off Durazzo

We were too far distant to see or hear this bombardment but when off Durazzo we received a hoarse signal saying that it had been carried out most successfully, and on our return we could see fires raging in Valona while still 60 minutes sailing time from port. Action stations were maintained until we were well clear of possible reprisals but at no time during the four hours cruise did Italy's "thick-yard" did we see any signs of enemy ships.

Neither on the sea nor in the air did the Italians make the slightest attempt to impede our passage or attack our bombardment force.

Thus Italy, who long ago forfeited all claim to control the Mediterranean, cannot even claim the Adriatic as her own now.—Reuter.

"MENTIONED IN DESPATCHES"

THE NAMES OF OFFICERS and men of the three fighting services whose names "have been brought to notice in recognition of distinguished services in connection with operations in the field of March-June, 1940," occupy 23 pages of a supplement to the "London Gazette" yesterday.

In addition to the Duke of Gloucester, the list includes:

Submarine Bases

The submarine bases at Bordeaux and Lorient, from which U-boats attack British shipping, were both raided on two nights, shipping off the French coast was attacked, direct hits being scored on several vessels, and the port of Bremen and shipyards at Kiel were again bombed.

In all these and other operations seven British aircraft were lost (all returned safely from the raids over Italy).—Reuter.

MASSED CHOIRS AT Y.M.C.A.

The Hunanin District echoed with the voices of 130 young women and girls, and 100 men and boys last night, when a Christmas Concert was held in the Kowloon branch of the Chinese Young Men's Christian Association in Waterloo Road.

The 230 participants belonged to 12 different choirs of Chinese churches, schools, the Chinese Y.M.C.A. and the Chinese Y.W.C.A., and were accompanied by a 20-piece orchestra.

Among the many items on the programme were a vocal solo by Mrs. C. W. Shoop, a violin solo by Miss Leung Ding-kai and a piano solo by Mr. Lin Shing-yup.

TRADE FAIR IN KOWLOON

For the first time, China tea will be on display at the Fourth Annual Exhibition of the Hong Kong Chinese Manufacturers which will be opened to-day by His Excellency the Acting Governor, Lieutenant-General E. F. Norton.

WANG'S NEW BANK

The Central Reserve Bank at Nanking was inaugurated yesterday when Chou Fu-hai, Finance Minister and concurrently Governor of the Bank, Chien Tzu-huei, Vice-Governor and directors of the Bank, held the first meeting, says a Japanese report from Nanking.

The officials discussed preliminary procedure for the opening and business policy.

The Bank will open its head office in Nanking and a branch office in Shanghai on January 6.—Reuter.

C.B.A. FUNCTION

The Central British Association held their annual supper dance at the Peninsula Hotel last night.

An entertaining cabaret programme was provided.

BIRTH

GROUNDWATER.—To Sybil, wife of Richard I. Groundwater, at Queenscliff, Melbourne, on 10th December, 1940, a son.

DUTCH ATTITUDE ANGERS NAZIS

NETHERLANDERS in Holland who "insult the Fuehrer or dishonour the German army" run the risk of death.

This threat, according to authoritative Dutch circles in London yesterday, was made by the public prosecutor in the military court which regularly metes out punishment to Netherlands convicted of such offences.

The penalty usually takes the form of imprisonment ranging from six to ten months.

Even this, however, has not deterred the Dutch from imprudently giving voice to their national feeling of loathing of the Nazi occupiers of their country, since the number of such cases is increasing rather than diminishing.

The death penalty threat was made at the end of a trial in which two men and three women were convicted of distributing a poem about the bombing of Rotterdam.

A force of our fighters intercepted Italian bombers near Tepeleni and one enemy plane is believed to have been shot down.

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GIFTS FOR H.K. DESTITUATES

Contributed mostly by sympathisers in Canada and America, a large quantity of warm clothes for the use of the inmates of the different Government Refugee Camps has been donated by the Foreign Auxiliary of the Chinese National Red Cross Society.

The clothing came just in time to provide for the women and children in the Camps for the winter.

DINNER DANCE AT THE RITZ

The Ritz at North Point was chosen for the annual dinner dance of St. John's Alumni Association which was held last night.

The ball-room was packed to capacity with guests, some of whom braved the weather and danced on the open-air circular floor.

Mr. C. B. Chang, Secretary of the Association, was Master of Ceremonies.

BOMBER DOWNED

An Italian bomber was shot down during an attempted raid on Malla on Wednesday night, it was announced yesterday. There was no damage and no casualties.—Reuter.

PICKPOCKET CAUGHT IN ACT

For the theft of \$25 from Avon Welles-Burns, R.A., of Fort Jubilee, Chan Chiu, 36, unemployed blacksmith, was sentenced to four months' hard labour by Mr. G. T. Lowry yesterday.

Welles-Burns was inside the Cable Office at about 3.30 p.m. on Friday, when defendant extracted \$25 from his trousers' pocket. Chief Sanitary Inspector Woods saw the action and arrested him.

NATHAN ROAD MISHAP

MISS L. E. TURNER, NURSING SISTER ATTACHED TO KOWLOON HOSPITAL, WAS INVOLVED IN A TRAFFIC ACCIDENT LAST NIGHT AT THE JUNCTION OF NATHAN AND JORDAN ROADS.

According to the report made by Miss Turner, she was driving her car along Nathan Road from the Star Ferry at about 6 p.m. when, near Jordan Road, an unknown Chinese ran into the side of her car and was knocked down.

The Chinese received slight injuries and refused to go to hospital.

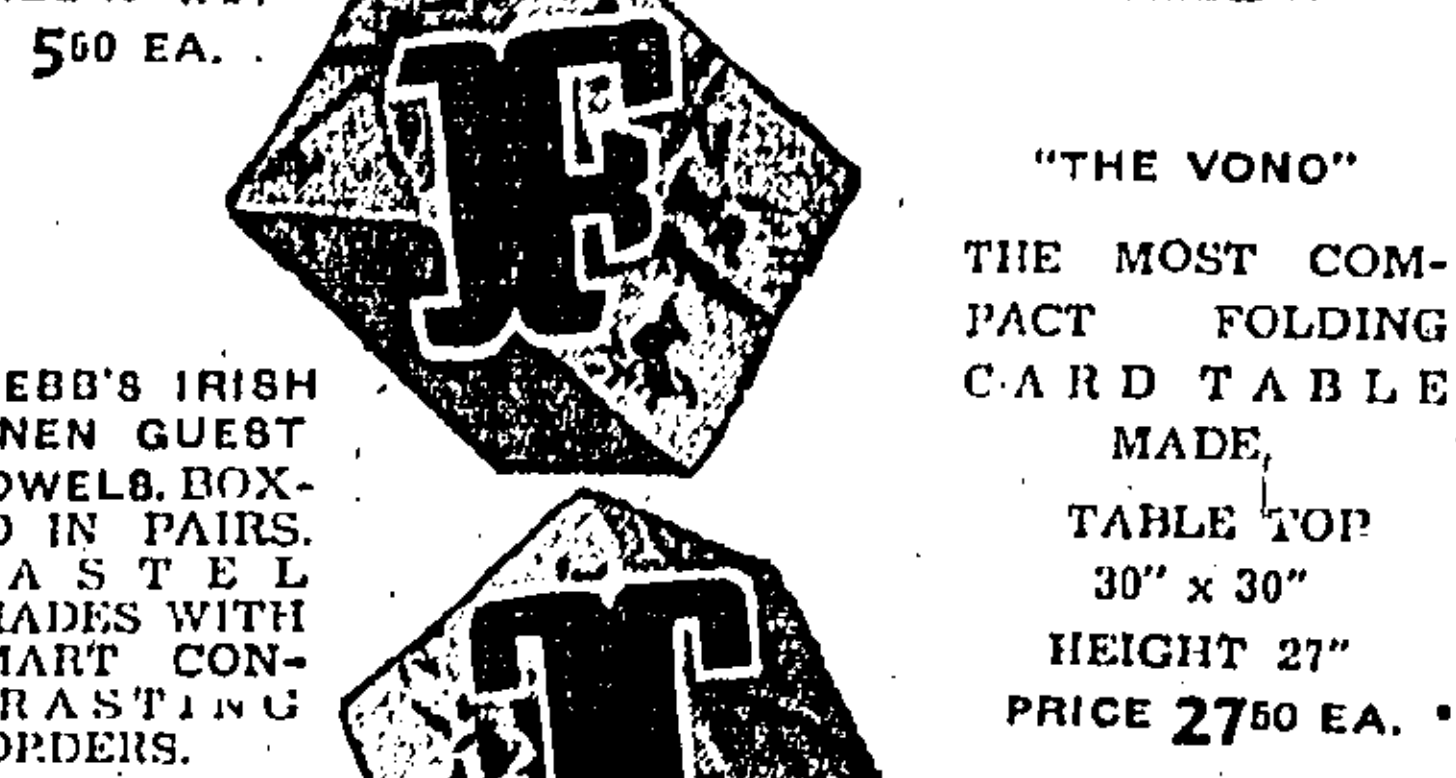
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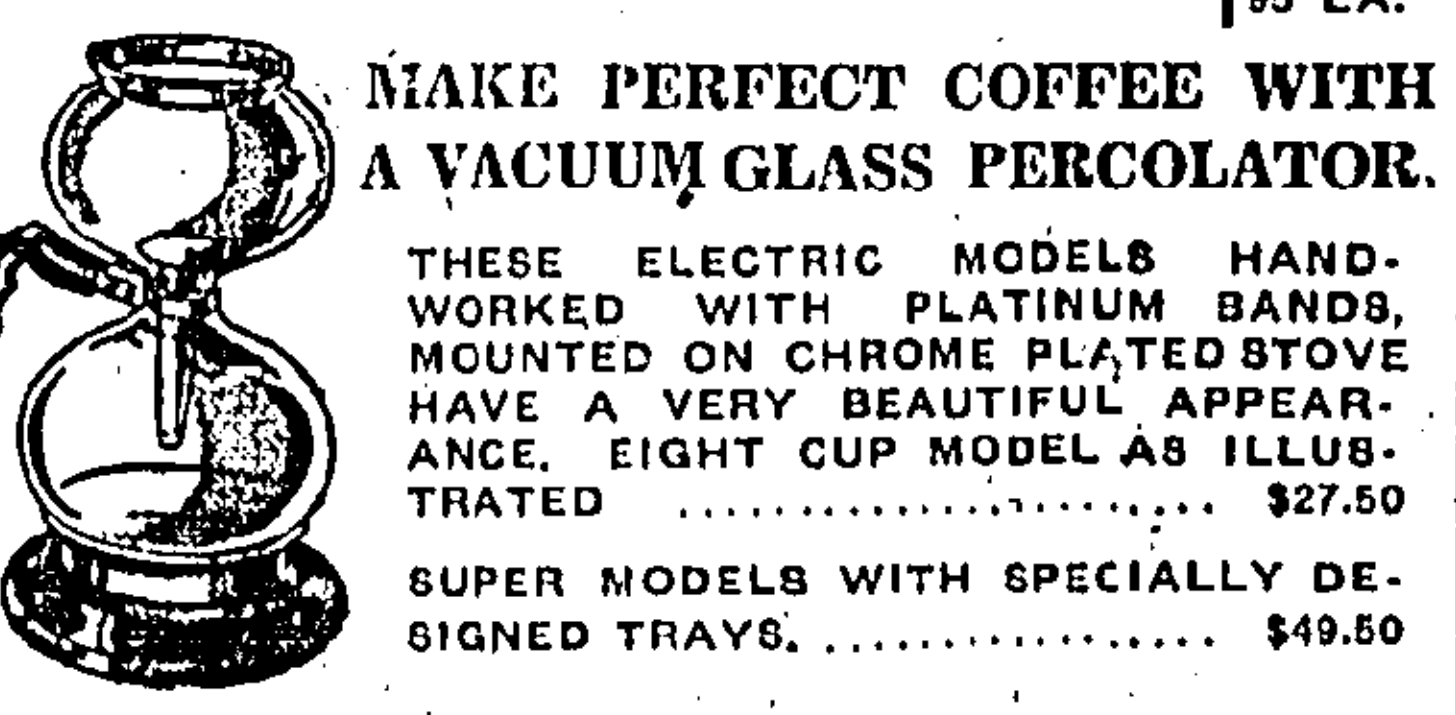
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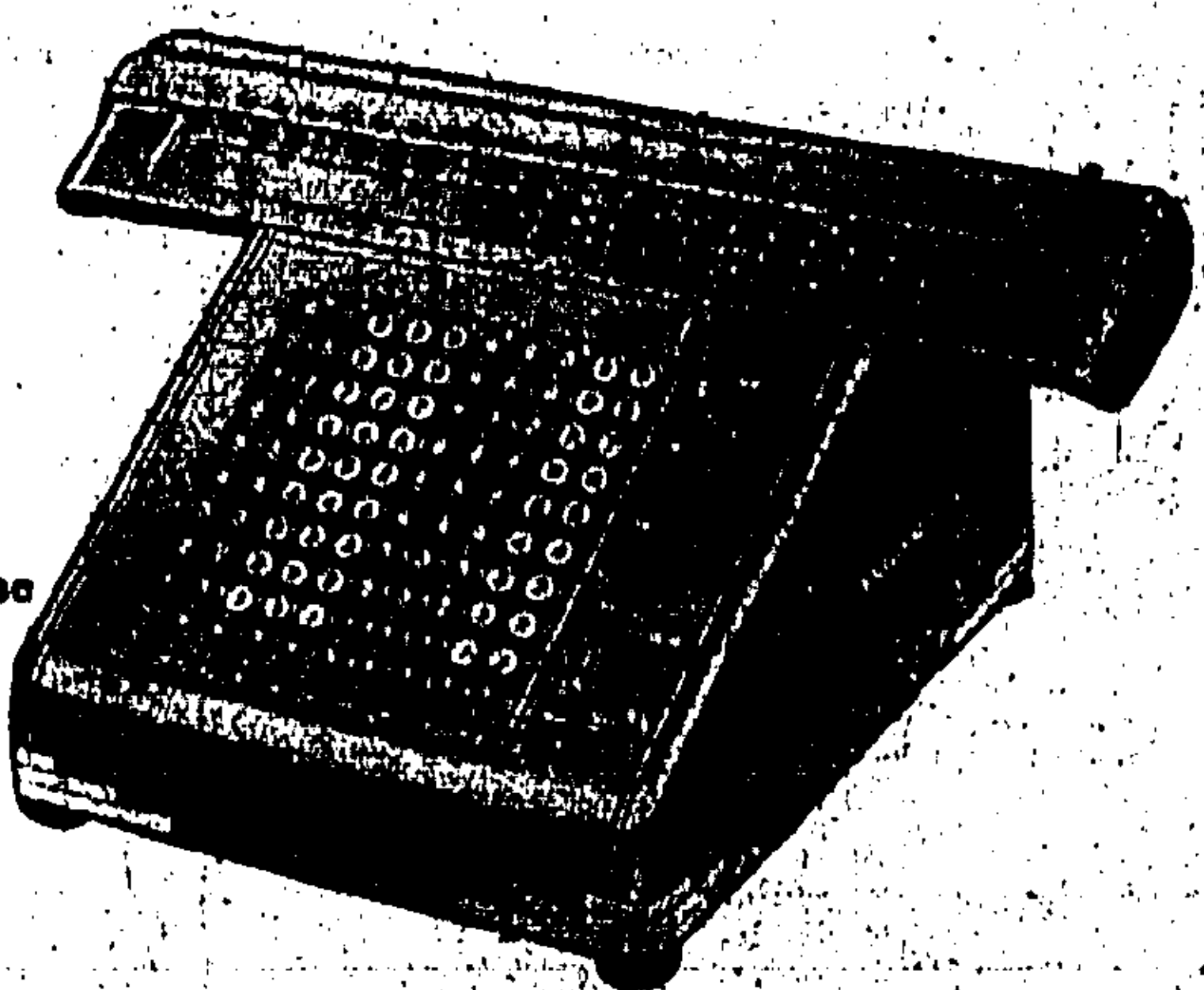
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The amount of rice that 30 cents can buy is purchased by a woman of the coolie class, of whom there are thousands.



Looking rather worried, this woman watches her dollar's worth of firewood being weighed. At right are two members of a "street family" sharing a plate of rice between them. There isn't enough for both of them.

RISE PRICES AND THE POOR

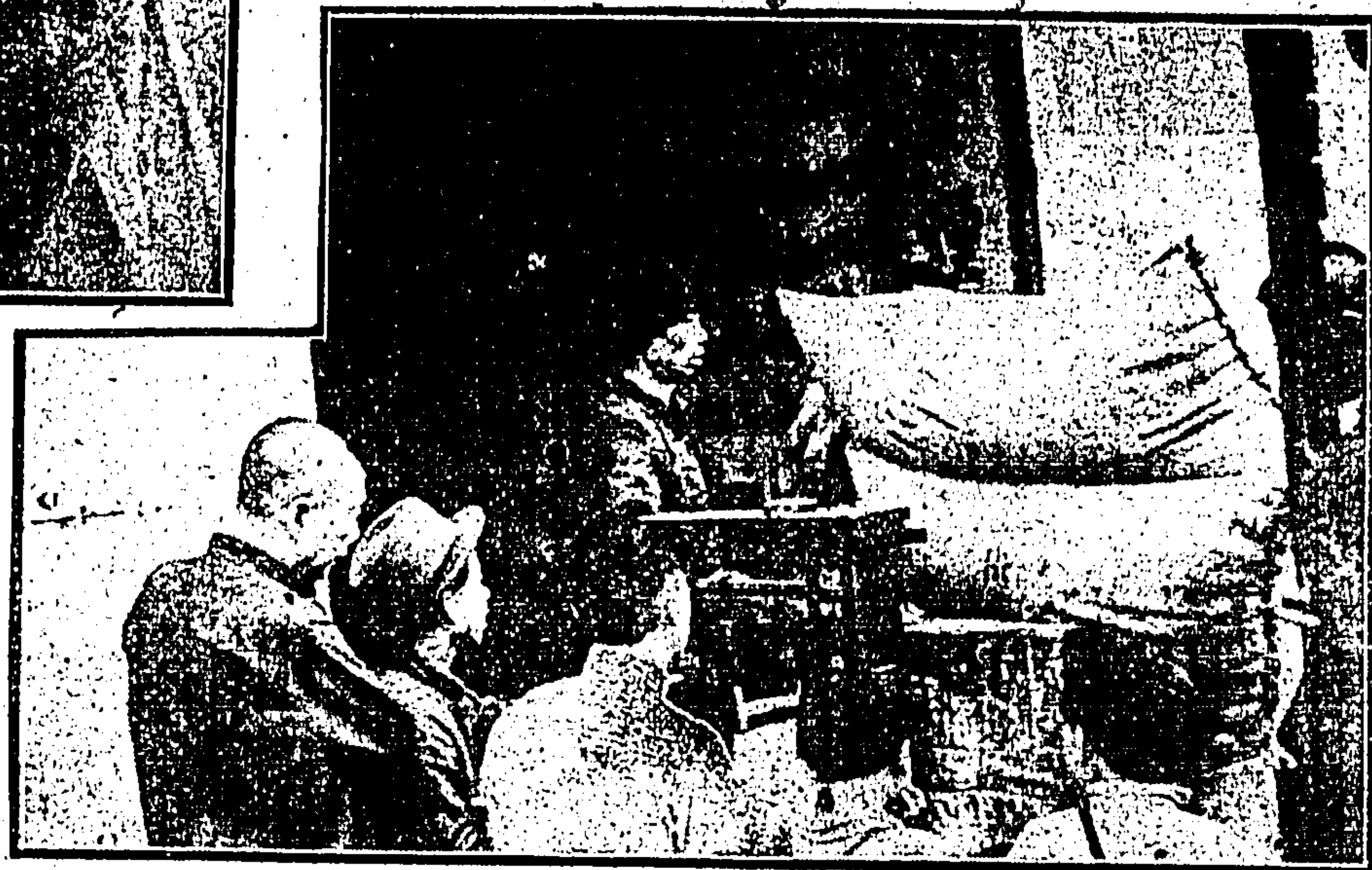
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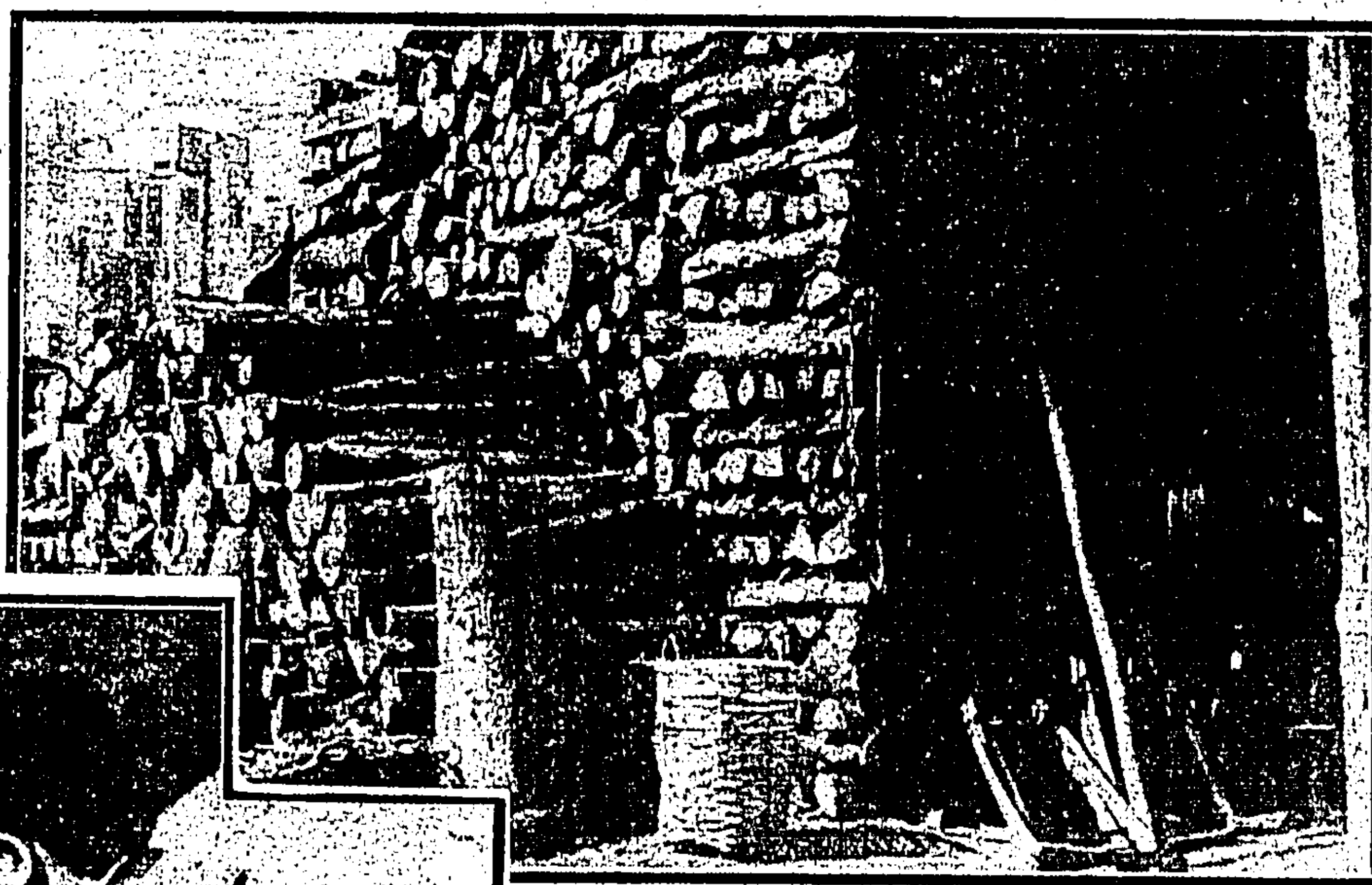
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PICTORIAL MAGAZINE SECTION

HONG KONG, DECEMBER 22, 1940



This godown does not suggest a rice shortage.



Nor do these stocks of firewood in a local depostory.

In the past few weeks the price of rice and firewood have rocketed far above normal rates. This was due to lack of supplies from abroad — owing to the shipping shortage — and, in no small measure, to profiteering. Hardest hit are Chinese of the coolie class to whom both commodities are daily essentials. Discontent spread rapidly and Government, through the Controller of Food, Mr. G. S. Kennedy-Skipton, took action. The retail price of rice was fixed, but the situation was not remedied as it was later seen. Rice dealers found they were unable to purchase rice from the importers at rates permitting them to re-sell at Government fixed

prices, and as a solution to their problem they began hoarding first grade rice and selling second grade rice at first grade rates. It was then necessary for Government to fix the wholesale rate. This was done but importers now say the price is below cost and in some cases they are refusing to sell to retailers. Meanwhile the price of firewood is steadily increasing, and similar action is needed to check the profiteer. There is no reasonable excuse for it — no lack of supplies from abroad. A fortnight ago firewood sold at between 40 and 45 catties per dollar; now the most that a dollar can buy is between 30 and 35 catties.

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Cold And Hungry

JOHNNIE Bushytail scampered over the snow to help his brother Billie. For Billie's sharp, little nose was caught fast in the thick, rough bark of a tree. "Hurry! Hurry!" begged Billie in a funny voice. "By dose id binched derribel!" he said. If you want to know how Billie's voice sounded, pinch your own nose between your finger and thumb and then say:

"My nose is pinched terrible!" That's how Billie's voice sounded. But Johnnie soon helped his brother to get loose. Billie had run against a tree so hard his nose stuck in the bark as I told you last week.

"Are you all right?" asked Johnnie of his brother. "Do you want me to rub some snow on your nose?"

MORE SNOW
"Don't you dare!" chattered Bil-



CAN'T SLEEP NIGHTS?

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"We have come to take Friskie home."

lie. "I'll rub my own nose. But I won't rub any cold snow on it. My nose is sore enough already."

"Well, there is plenty of snow here if you want it," said Johnnie. "And I think we are going to have more snow," he added. Johnnie looked up at the gray clouds which seemed filled with snow flakes.

This cloud snow was going to sift down on top of the snow that already covered the ground in Woodland near the Orange Ice Mountain.

"Well, if it's going to snow, we had better hurry to Jennie Chipmunk's house to get Friskie," said Billie.

"I guess we had," agreed Billie, gently rubbing his nose where the rough bark of the tree had scratched it.

On over the snow scampered the two squirrel brothers. Behind them they pulled the sled by its rope. They were going to ride their sister, Friskie, home over the snow. Friskie had gone to Jennie Chipmunk's house for a little party.

"We must run fast!" chattered Johnnie, looking up again at the sky. "It will soon be dark. And when it is dark, and when there is a snow storm, it isn't going to be easy getting home."

"Especially if we have to pull Friskie on the sled," said Billie. "Oh, we have to pull Friskie,"

By
Howard R. Garis

said Johnnie. "We couldn't dump her off, could we?"

NOT HIS IDEA

"Certainly not!" said Billie. "I wasn't thinking of that."

So the squirrel brothers scampered along a little faster, pulling the sled. The wind began to blow. A few flakes of snow sifted down out of the gray clouds. It was getting darker and it was getting colder.

Finally Johnnie and Billie reached the hollow tree where Mrs. Chipmunk lived. They knocked on the door. Jennie Chipmunk opened it.

"We have come to take Friskie home," said Billie.

"We will ride her on our sled," added Johnnie.

"Why, Friskie started home some time ago," spoke Jennie.

"She did?" exclaimed Johnnie, and Billie together. "Why didn't she wait for us?"

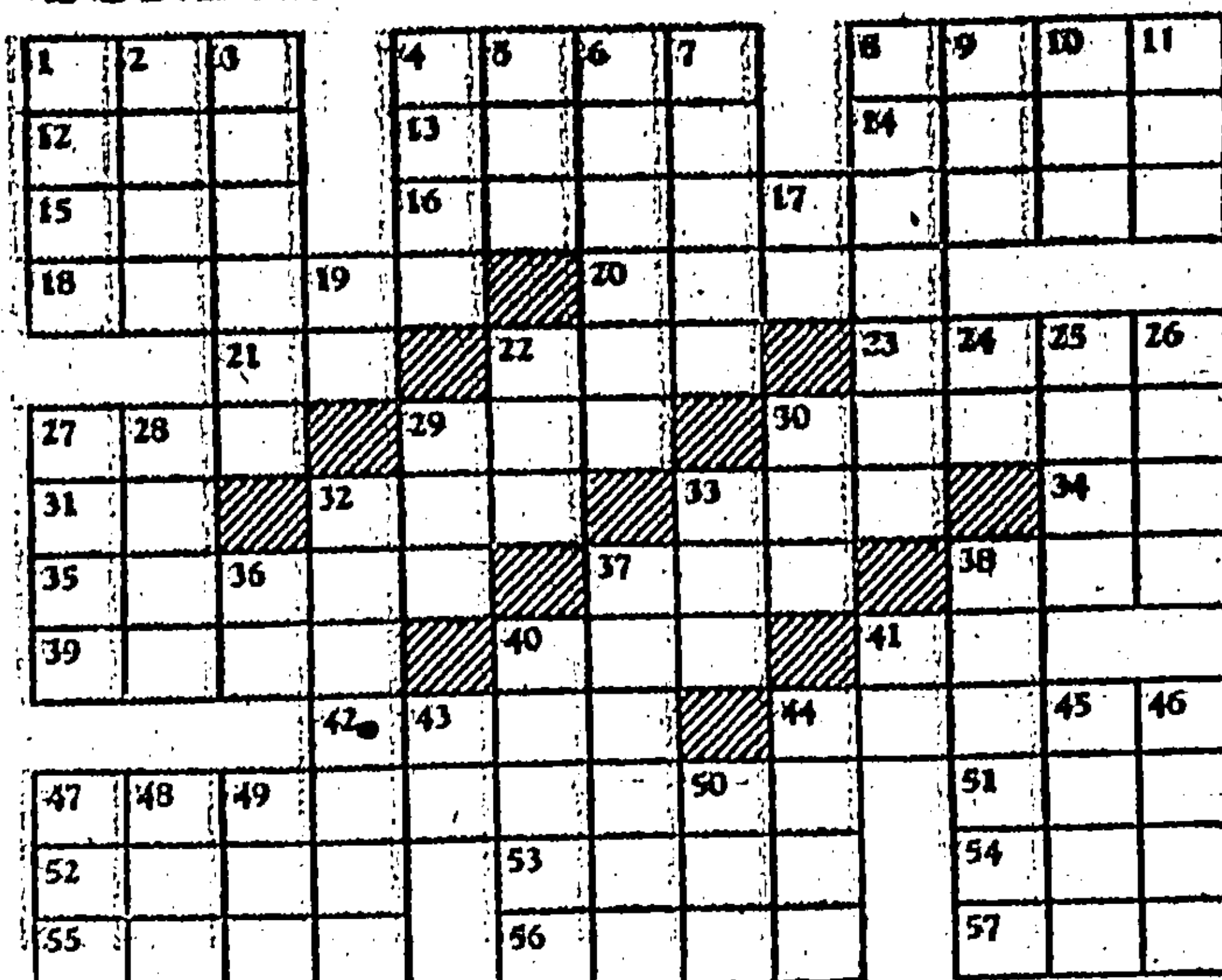
"She did wait," said Jennie. "And when you didn't come she said she guessed you wouldn't. So she started home by herself."

"Oh, dear! We've got to chase after Friskie and find her!" cried the squirrel brothers. They turned around and raced back through the woods. The wind blew harder. More snow flakes sifted down out of the gray clouds. It grew darker. No Friskie was to be seen.

"I wonder where she is?" said Billie. He and his brother were cold and hungry. But they couldn't go home without Friskie.

And if the condensed milk doesn't moo like a cow in the middle of the night and make the loaf of bread laugh, I'll tell you next what was under the snow.

SUNDAY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE



HORIZONTAL

- 1 Worm
- 4 Restaurant
- 8 Japanese drink
- 12 Cheer
- 13 Norse deity
- 14 Substance used to nurture bacteria
- 15 Anglo-Saxon money
- 16 Yielding little
- 18 Inasmuch as
- 20 Dry
- 21 Note of scale
- 22 Beverage
- 23 Goddess of discord
- 27 Some
- 29 First woman
- 30 Mythical creature
- 31 Butterfly
- 32 American author
- 33 Cow genus
- 34 By
- 35 Carols
- 37 Slang: pistol
- 38 Chalice
- 39 Sloth
- 41 Four
- 42 Bog
- 44 Wide-awake
- 47 To divide into parts

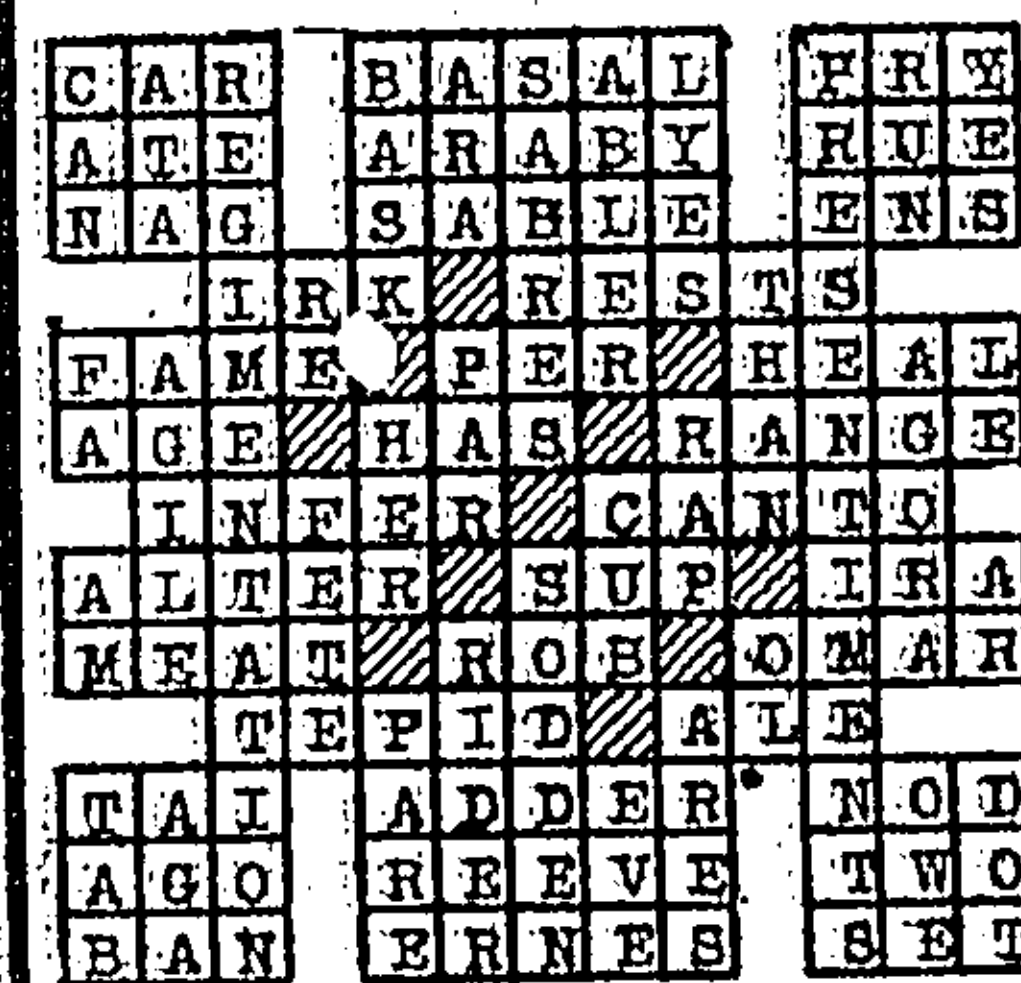
VERTICAL

- 1 God of love
- 2 Hindu women's garment
- 3 Shack
- 4 To contend
- 5 Fruit drink
- 6 East part
- 7 To have effect
- 8 Girls

9 Gone by

- 10 Greek letter
- 11 Bitter vetch
- 17 Japanese measure
- 19 101
- 22 Hall!
- 24 Artificial language
- 25 Moslem prayer leader
- 26 Bristle
- 27 Japanese aborigine
- 28 Middy
- 29 Dawn goddess
- 30 Obtained
- 32 To fall
- 33 Evil
- 36 Babylonian deity
- 37 To mutilate
- 38 To vindicate
- 40 Heavenly body
- 41 Italian article
- 43 Periodic windstorm
- 44 Islands off Ireland
- 45 Sudden attack
- 46 English river
- 47 Moisture
- 48 Yellow bugle
- 49 Offspring
- 50 Norse goddess

LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION



ELY CULBERTSON ON:— CONTRACT BRIDGE

MANY humorists have exercised their wits over the bickering that sometimes takes place at the bridge table. Few have seen fit to comment on the Alphonse-Gaston politeness so often displayed in the same arena. How often one may see a defender doing his best to hand the contract to declarer on the proverbial silver platter, while declarer, not to be outdone, makes every effort to hand his contract right back. The hand below describes just such an exhibition.

North, dealer.
East-West vulnerable.

NORTH

S-A J 6
H-A Q 8
D-J 5 3
C-J 9 8 4

WEST

S-7 3
H-10 7 4 2
D-9 6
C-A K 7 5 3

EAST

S-Q 10 9 5 2
H-K 5
D-K 10 8 7 4 2
C-None

SOUTH

S-K 8 4
H-J 8 6 3
D-A Q
C-Q 10 6 2

The bidding:

North East South West
1 club 1 dia. 2 n'trump Pass
3 n'trump Pass Pass

West should have opened a diamond despite the opponents' apparent contempt for the suit. It was logical to presume that East had a long and fairly strong suit with probable reentries. West's actual opening of the fourth best club was motivated by a hunch that North had bid a three card suit and that the clubs could be established more readily than the diamonds.

South won the opening lead with the ten of clubs and finessed the queen of hearts, losing to East's king. East promptly returned a low diamond and South's queen held the trick. South now led a low club and West took his king. At this point West could still have rectified the damage done by his poor choice of opening lead. He could have led a spade with the expectation of leading the suit again if he should regain the lead with his club ace. But actually West returned his remaining diamond.

South won with the ace of diamonds and cashed the ace and jack of hearts, hoping that the suit would break favourably. When it did not he became pan-

stricken and hastened to finesse the spade jack. East naturally won with the spade queen and cashed the rest of his diamonds, defeating the contract. East, presumably a realist, was not concerned with the duel of politeness in which South and West had been engaged. Had South stopped for a moment's thought he would have realised that even a successful finesse of the spade jack would not have assured the contract. He had already won a club, two diamonds, and two hearts, so that even three spades would have given him a total of only eight tricks. South's only chance lay in establishing another club in the hope that, somehow or other, the diamonds would not be brought in.

Such a line of play, the reader will note, leads to the success of the contract. If South leads the queen of clubs at the eighth trick West wins with the club ace. If West then cashes the ten of hearts dummy discards a low spade, next lead is won in the dummy and the jack of clubs squeezes East in spades and diamonds.

West can prevent the squeeze by failing to cash the ten of hearts, but in that case East can be caught in a throw-in. West's best exit, after winning the club ace, is a spade. Dummy wins with the spade ace and cashes the club jack. East must bare down to the king of diamonds and the guarded queen of spades; and a diamond lead puts him in for a forced lead to the North-South combined tenace in spades.

First Impressions

I am told by those who make a study of such things that the first glance you get at a face tells you something true and reliable about the man or woman it belongs to, but that you get no further information by looking at the face day after day for months. When you come to know the man or woman really well, and have studied his actions and watched his private life closely for years, you find, if you still recollect what it was, that your first impression was right.

I knew an Englishman once who lived for ten years in Ireland and was deeply interested in our affairs. He told me that when he had been a week in the country he understood it, understood us and all belonging to us thoroughly. At the end of three months he began to doubt whether he understood us quite as well as he thought. After five years he was sure he did not understand us at all. After ten years—he was a persevering man—he began to understand us a little, and was inclined to think he was getting back to the exact position he held at the end of the first week.

Ten years hence, if he and I live so long, I intend to ask him again what he thinks about Ireland. Then, I expect, he will tell me that he is quite convinced that his earliest impressions were correct. — GEORGE A. BIRMINGHAM, Connacht to Chicago.

Picturesque Speech And Patter

A vast waddle of womanhood. — J. B. Priestley.

A compound fracture of the illusions. — Robert E. Sherwood.

The sun slipped like a golden dollar into the slot of to-morrow. — Fannie Hurst.

Church clocks debating the exact moment of ten o'clock. — F. Van Wyck Mason.

Many people these days need a kick in the seat of their can'ts. — P. K. Thomajan.

She shows a lot of backbone in her choice of evening gowns. — Jimmie Fidler.

Guest to hostess, after an evening of bridge: "Thanks for the hospitality." — Louise A. Hoon.

Her eyes wrote, "To be continued in our next." — Rupert Hughes.

She meets life as though it were her own invention. — Kenneth Horan.

A mind like a flash of lightning, quick but crooked. — G. K. Chesterton.

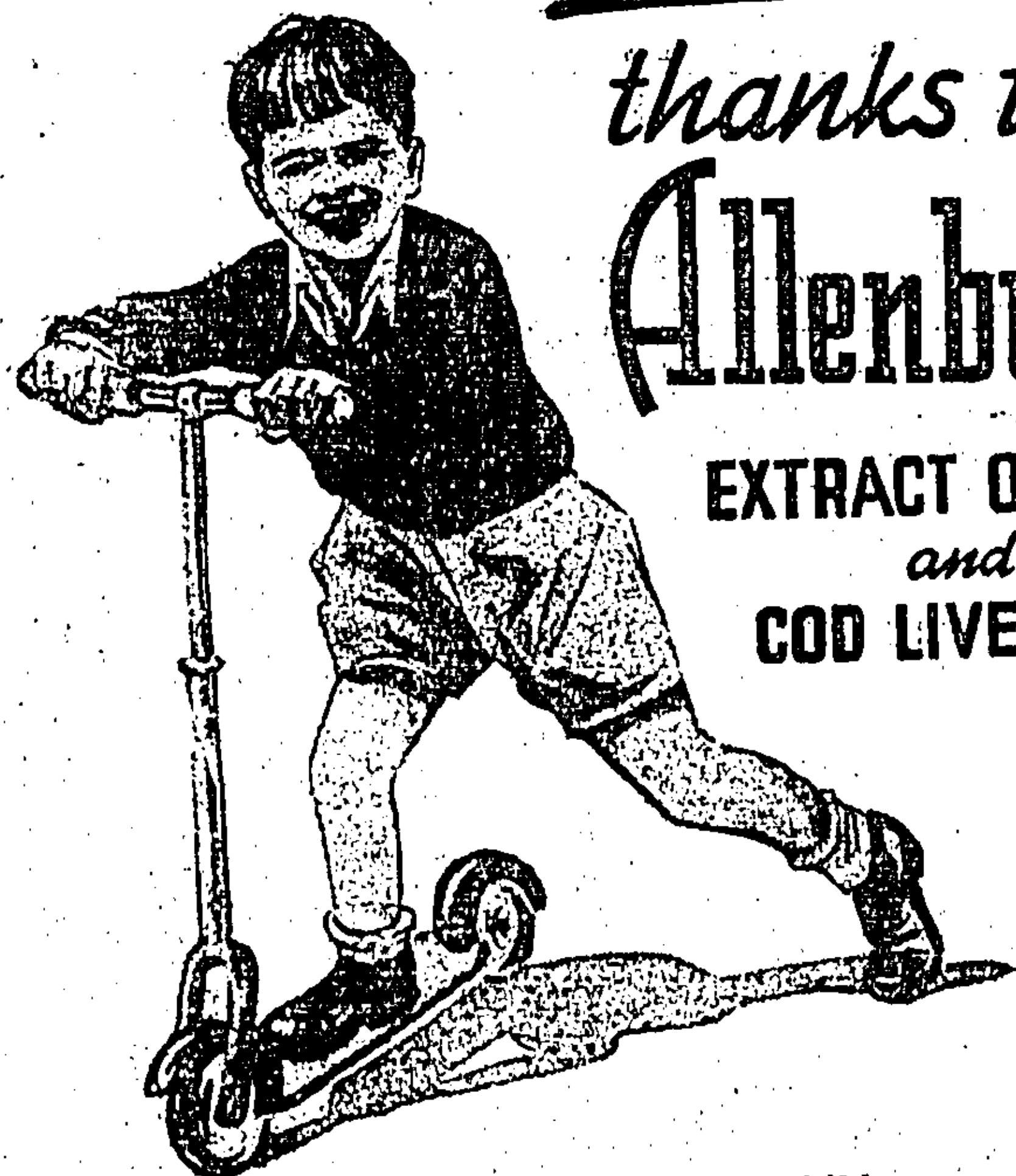
A jaw that has never taken No for an answer. — Newlin B. Wildes.

Here's to woman—ah, that we could fall into her arms without falling into her hands. — Ambrose Bierce.

Being an old maid is like death by drowning—a really delightful sensation after one ceases struggling. — Edna Ferber.

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The Magic Thirties

By
Anastasia Buhl

Sometimes I think that I must have been born tired, because I've always been tired and am tired way into the future. The girl who used to arrive home at four o'clock in the morning, sleep like a baby, and face the following night with the hardness of a Joan of Arc, couldn't have been I. I couldn't have been the girl who went through the "day after" with so few bad effects that one aspirin could have taken care of them.

Right now, at the magic age of thirty-five, I wish I were any woman but the one I am. I especially envy the woman to whom a party is the very breath of life. The one who flaps her ears and wriggles her toes whenever she sniffs a dinner dance. All I have to do is sit before the fireplace in an old smock and think about all the cocktail parties and dances I shall probably have to attend for the next thirty years, and I droop with anticipated fatigue. I still suffer from pre-whoopie jitters

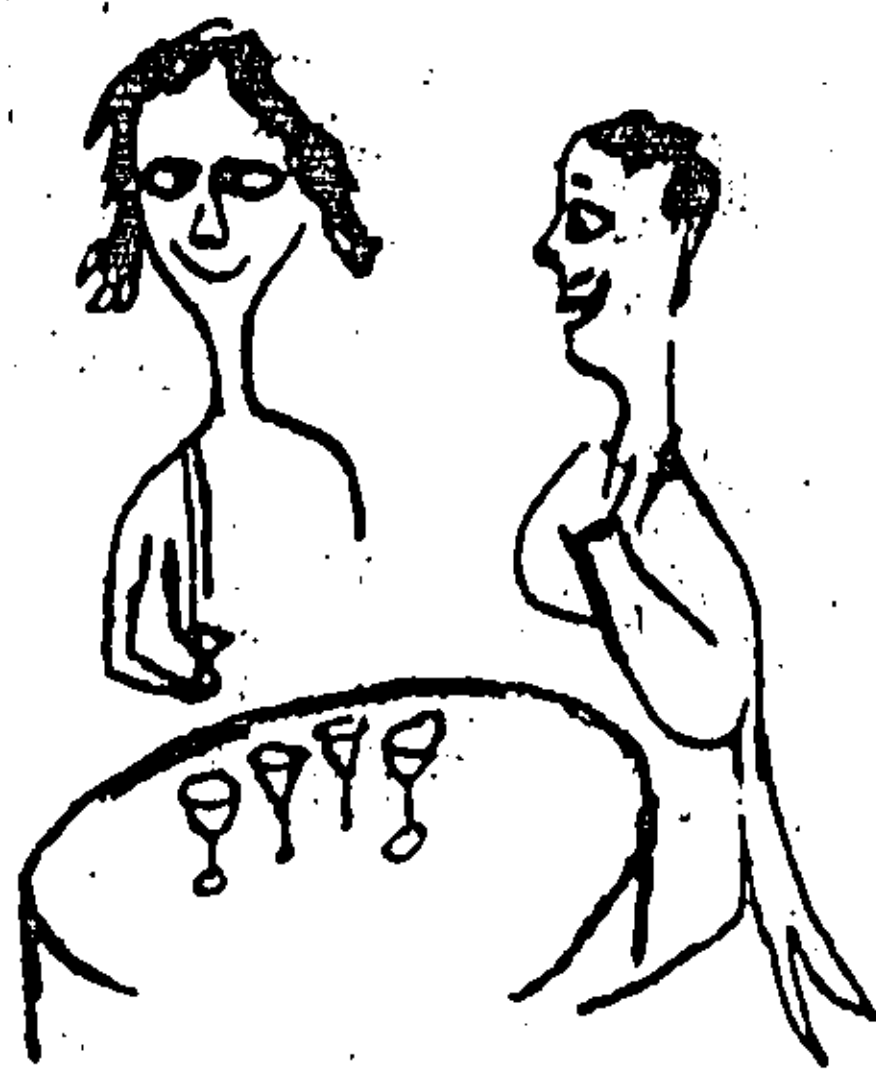


I droop with anticipated fatigue

and long for nothing more exciting than an early movie and bed. If a dinner party is scheduled after a long day of a thousand and one trivial things, my routine goes something like this: I force myself into an evening gown while eyeing the radio next to my bed—with regret. Longingly I sniff the children's delicious beef stew that waits its way through the house and I envy the help their privilege of going to bed at nine o'clock if they wish to. As I make up my face, the dry beds of old and tired smiles that look back at me from the mirror add to my depression. Sometimes I've even entertained the wild idea of hiring some young, amusing person to go in my place. But some-

how I manage to drag my reluctant body to the dinner, which is supposed to start at eight but at which no self-respecting guest would dream of arriving before a quarter of nine. I swallow many more cocktails than are good for me, then make only a polite stab at dinner because the lateness of the hour has carried me far beyond the stage of normal hunger.

After dinner I group with the ladies for coffee and by the time we have finished discussing child psychology, the servant problem, clothes, diets, and mutual friends who aren't present, it is time to join the gentlemen and I am definitely ready for home and bed. But no one else seems to be. I again ruin my health with highballs that I really don't want, and I dance my feet off because my unfortunate host and the male guests feel it their duty to lug



I ruin my health with highballs



I must have been born tired

what? I'll tell you what. I've drunk too much and smoked too much, I've smiled and listened and looked interested until my face feels like a piece of new cardboard. I've lost valuable sleep and have added to my wrinkles. That means that when I arrive home, dog-tired, I must work miracles with creams and lotions for another hour, instead of tumbling into bed, as is. I have to do all this to keep from looking like something that would scare Junior in the dark; it is also part of the price we have to pay for this "now or never" charm.

In short, having reached that half of my life that fairly screams for the "slowing up" of activity, I am forced, instead, to double my efforts with cosmetics, massage, exercise, reading, social engagements, meetings, and whatall, in order to keep in the swim—when all I want to do is wade.



I dance my feet off

Be Charming This Christmas

Thank heaven, that the Christmas season not only gives us licence to be generous, kind, thoughtful and thankful, but it actually requests us to be! Old Scrooge is a fable familiar to all, and we would die from mortification if any person likened us to him during this happy holiday season!

A great many of us with limited means are not able to express our good will in a material way. If we had a million, we would scatter gifts like Lady Bountiful, feed the poor and delight the more fortunate. But circumstances compel us to keep within the family circle when we go gift buying, with perhaps enough in our pocketbooks to remember a few very dear and close friends. All the other people we know must get simply our good wishes for a joyous and peaceful coming year, but good wishing can be a cherished gift if it is extended with enthusiasm and thoughtfulness.

Be A Lovely Lady

This may sound a bit saccharine but it is not intended to sound so—spread your charm this holiday season! Go out of your way to be nice to those about you—at home and abroad. Forget about the gift-exchange custom and give of yourself. Each one of us knows several persons

who would hug to their hearts a sincerely spoken or written message of good will. Our homes, too, would radiate the pure Christmas spirit if thought of the others who share them might make us do or say something to give their spirits a lift!

"Peace on Earth, Good Will to Men," is the season's message, and if that message can be spread in a charming manner we have done our bit toward making Christmas what it should be in a Christian country. Graciousness, tact, sympathy and kindness are the greatest gifts you can give to those about you, and they are gifts which are long remembered and cherished by the recipients. Material gifts wear out, but the kind thought or word or deed lives on forever. That is a fact which any person who has lived at all can verify; it is not a Sunday School lesson!

Shower Graciousness

If you are helping a charity this season, give your time freely and graciously. Don't play the part of a martyr and complain about the demand upon your time and the sacrifice you are making. You're justifying your existence by helping those who need help—that is your reward and not the salaried of those who need your help.

If you are playing the hostess for a party, be a charming, thoughtful one. Make each guest feel he or she has honoured an existing friendship by coming to your festivity. And include one or two friends who are invited to few parties—who need a little social cheer to lighten their dreary or complicated lives. And do make them welcome.

Experience the joy which is the essence of Christmas love, by giving to those who do not expect you to remember them. Persons who perhaps serve you one way or another, or persons whose circumstances are far from what they should be. Your gift need not be elaborate—in some cases it might be simple food. And give it with joy—not with an air of doing a great, good favour!

Look Attractive

And now that the little lesson about Christmas is over let me revert to type and, as a beauty editor, urge you to look your loveliest during this season. Don't get so tired that you will look as if you need a month's rest. Keep your skin and hair looking well and your eyes bright with cheer for any gift given, or any word spoken by an attractive lady has double joy value!

me around the floor every time they catch me sitting down.

Men all through the ages have said that a woman reaches her peak of charm when she is in the late thirties. Well, she ought to when she has to work like a day labourer to get it and keep it. But I doubt the truth of that male observation, when I see all about me pretty and young, oh so young, debutantes, shagging to the left of me and swinging to the right of me, vitality oozing from every pore, eyes dancing, skin fresh, and hair gleaming. They always make me feel like leaving the charm to youth and going home to my knitting. Suppose I do know what Hitler whispered to Mussolini, or who was the direct cause of the Battle of Bunker Hill? Nobody wants to dance with an encyclopedia, and if you did find your conversational "soul-mate," you probably couldn't get a word in sideways—anyway. So

For Your Beauty's Sake--

Filing the corners of your fingernails robs them of support, and they will bend back from the fingertip and break off. You run other risks, too; hangnails and unsightly bumps on the side of your nail often result from filed corners. —PEGGY SAGE in Mademoiselle.

In putting on eye shadow, if your eyes are too close together, start your shadow in the centre of the eyelid and take it up to the outside corner. If they're too far apart, bring the shadow from the inner corners of the eye out to halfway. See that you blend it, and be sure you get a fine film of shadow just under the brow where you've plucked it. There'll be a funny-looking white streak there if you don't — Chatelaine.

Homemaker's Diary--

Aluminium: Can be brightened up with a mild acid, usually vinegar. Don't use scouring powder on aluminium; a very fine steel wool is much better.

Pewter: Because it is soft, it scratches and dents easily. Use only whitening paste to scour it, then wash thoroughly in hot soapy water, rinse and dry.

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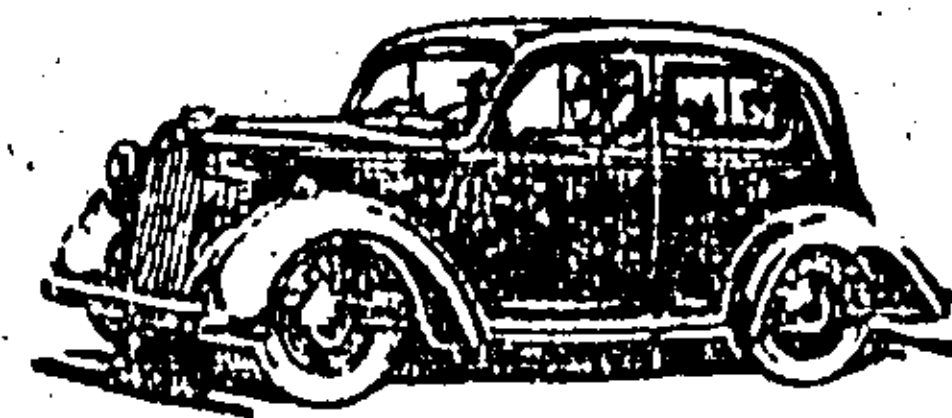
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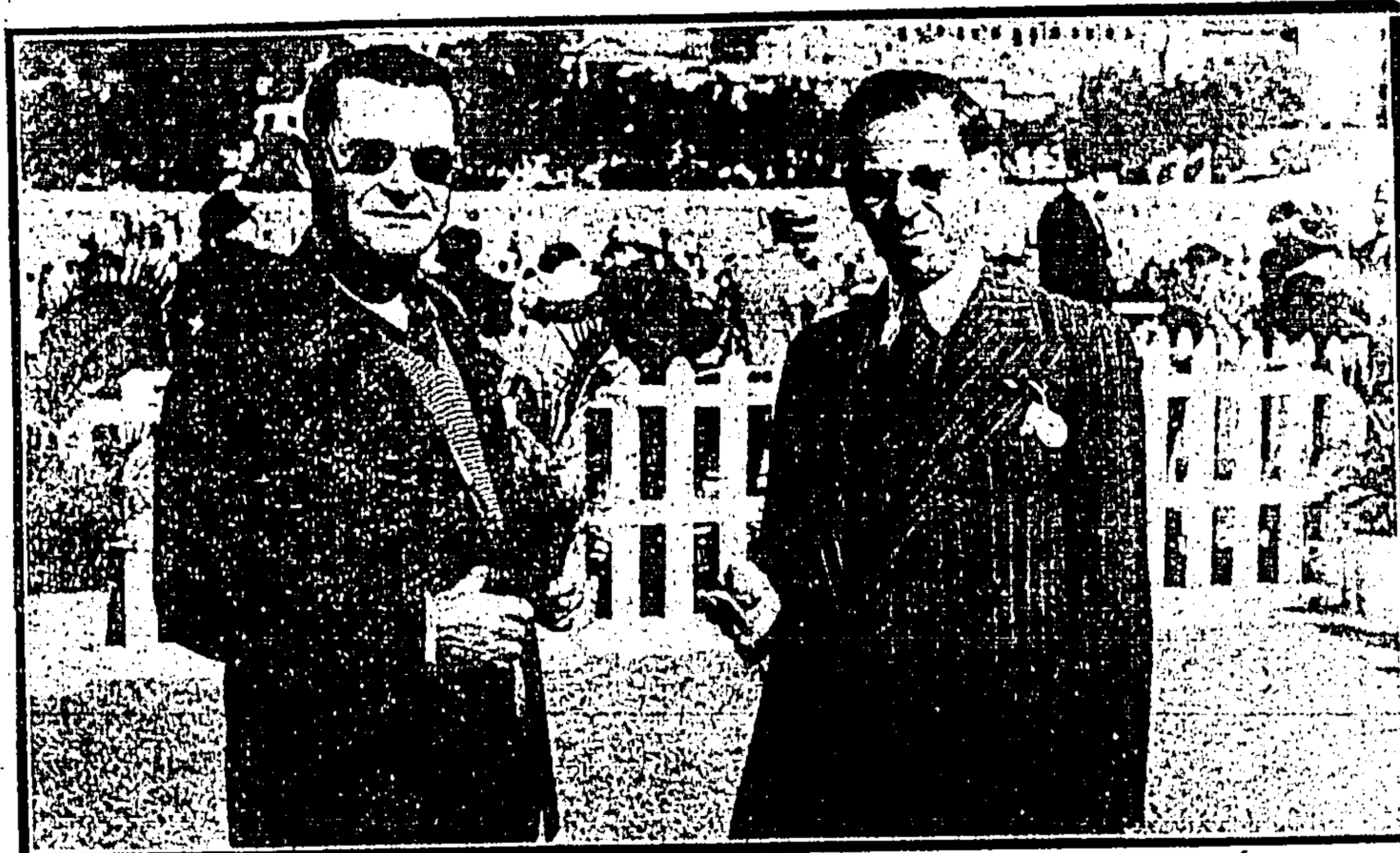
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"But I am a very good friend of his," he remonstrated.

The secretary looked at him quizzically. "Funny," he said, "but when I presented your visiting card, he did not remember ever having met you."

"That isn't funny at all," the man answered defiantly. "After all, my visiting card tells him nothing but my name, and he comes across thousands of them. But if he were to see me—he'd recognise me soon enough."

Suddenly the visitor seemed to have hit on an idea and he again approached the secretary.

"Would you do me a favour?" The secretary looked at him questioningly.

"All I want you to do," the man continued, "is to put this photograph of mine on the Minister's desk. He may have forgotten my

By
Aima St. Wittein

name, but he would never forget the face of the friend with whom he's spent so many intimate hours. The secretary was still hesitant, but at last, with a shrug of his shoulders, he took the photograph and disappeared behind the massive door.

He was back in less than a minute.

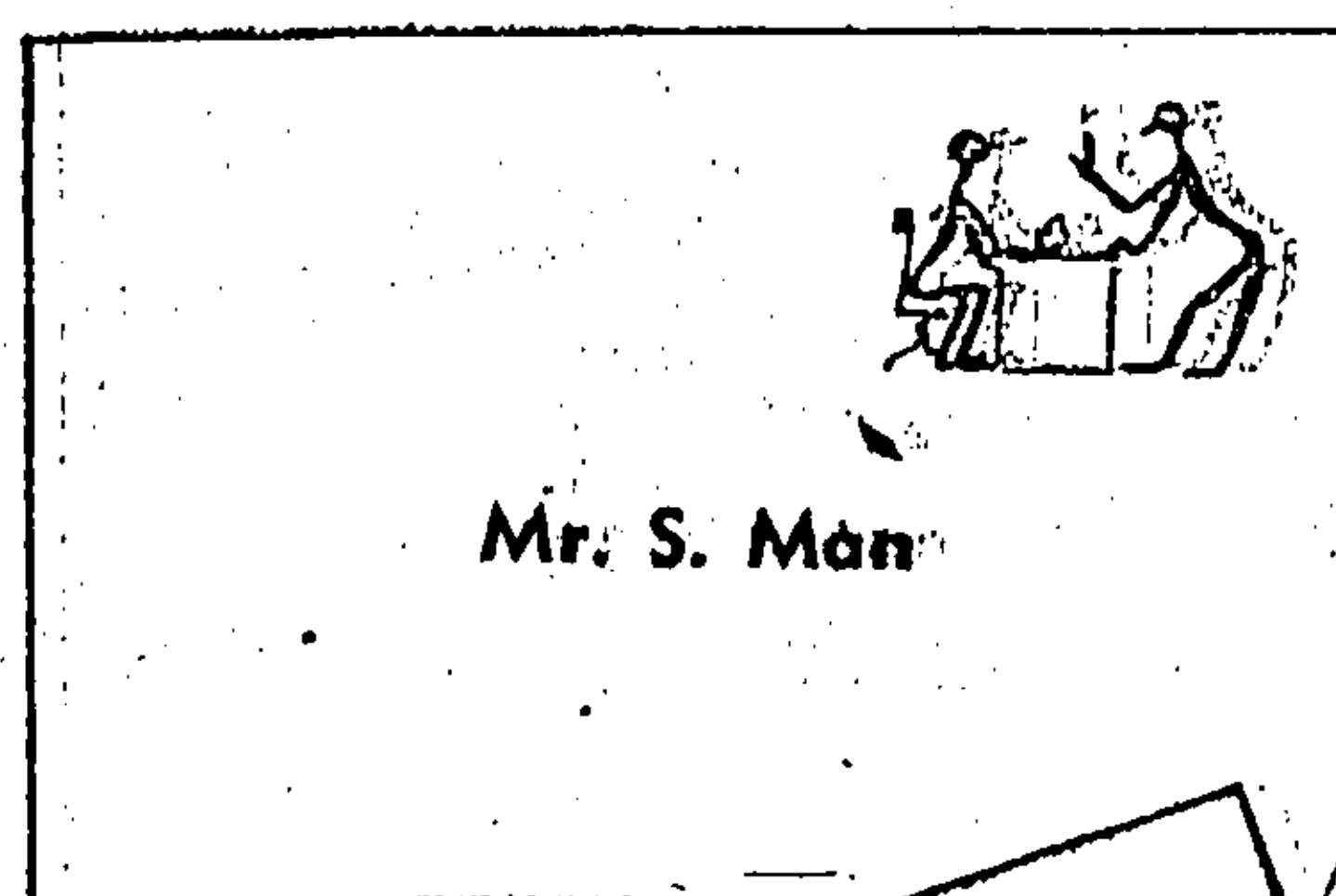
"The Minister wishes to see you at once," he announced, a bit nonplussed, and turning toward us, he said:

"The Minister will not be able to see you to-day, he'll be busy with a friend whom he hasn't seen for years."

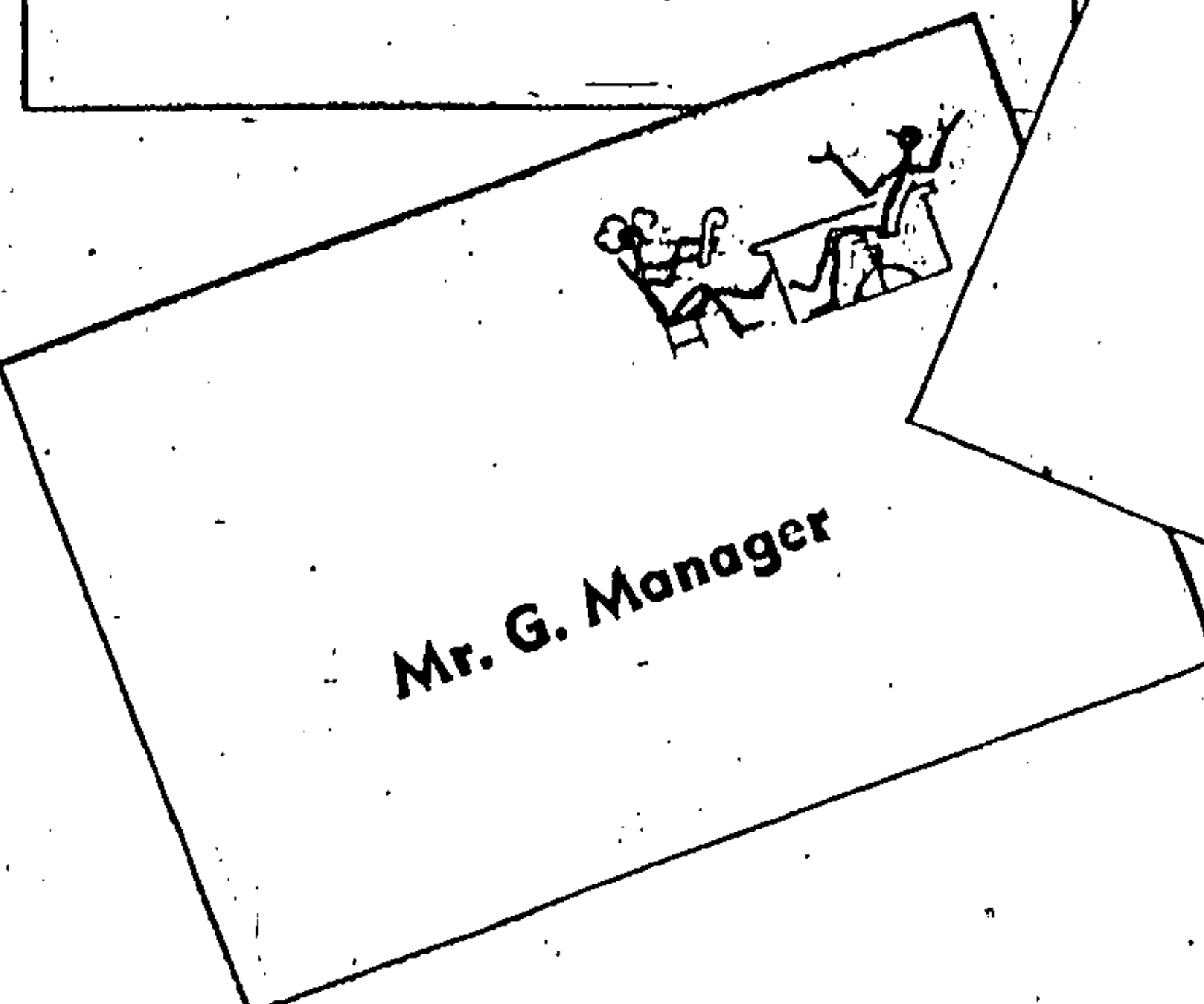
My friend and I left the office, still discussing the incident we had just witnessed. "Just think, if it had not been for his brain wave of sending in the photograph, the man might never have seen the Minister," I commented. "It proves definitely that a visiting card is ineffective in most cases. A name says so little. Someone ought to invent a more graphic visiting card—one more likely to convey the personality of the visitor?"

"That doesn't require a new invention. It simply means reviving the old visiting cards." Noting my astonishment, my friend embarked on his subject:

"The invention of the visiting card, like that of so many other things, is credited to the Chinese. In Europe the visiting card made its first appearance in the rococo period at the same time when social life became fashionable. Paris, the capital of France, which at that time dictated the Bon Ton, was growing by leaps and bounds, and it was becoming awkward to announce one's visit by means of messengers, especially if one had a large circle of friends and good breeding demanded that they be visited regularly. At first, one wrote one's name on a special list kept by the concierge. Later, the Parisian gentry preferred to write the name on the back of a pasteboard which was then rolled up and shoved through the keyhole. And thus the visiting card was born."



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symbolised the profession of the visitor. The apothecary's card was ornamented with the emblem of his trade . . . the lawyers and the judges would always have engraved on their card a matron symbolising *Justitia* . . ."

"And what if the man had no profession?" I interjected.

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That's a lot of money to pay for a seemingly harmless old lady who looked so prim and proper at the banquet. But she was on her best behaviour that day. Because usually she wears pants and has a big automatic strapped around her small waist she is known to countless thousands from Shanghai to Chungking as Mama Mosquito, an elusive angel of death who became the brains for a great swarm of guerrilla fighters.

She began her personal feud against the Japanese nine years ago with a band of six young men, including two of her sons. To-day she has 30,000 fighters under her command. All of them, including two other sons, her husband, and even her college-educated daughter, Li-jen, are waging their own private little war from the wild hills north and west of Peiping. Her troops are amateur soldiers, without uniforms, rules or science. Yet they have been known to wipe out entire Japanese regiments almost overnight.

Being a methodical person, Mama Mosquito keeps books on her numerous raids. Up to the spring of 1939 her ledger shows the following figures on the credit side: Japanese soldiers killed, 5,000; Rifles seized, 6,000; Machine guns, 150; Rounds of ammunition, 100,000; and on the debit side, only 700 guerrillas killed.

It will be observed that there are no figures for Japanese soldiers captured, although some of those 5,000 Japanese were caught alive. But Mama Mosquito has learned that modern war leaves no room for mercy, and her wise old eyes have seen too much not to fight with rancor and hate. And killing the Mikado's men has become a grim but necessary business.

Driven from her home by the Japanese in 1931, Madame Chao Yu-tang learned to have a healthy fear and distrust for the enemy. She was at that time fifty-six. But she took a vow to spend her remaining years in a private war against Japanese who seized Chinese territory by force. With her

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city-students, she established headquarters in a little house at Chungking.

Madame Chao, already undergoing the metamorphosis that was to result in the incredible Mama Mosquito, borrowed a Mauser pistol and practised until she mastered the heavy gun, and then started through the countryside to round up recruits and take pot shots at birds. However, guerrilla warfare was an undeveloped idea at that time and the first few months brought but a handful of men for enlistment.

The turning point came the night Mama Mosquito called a bluff. She had gathered a small crowd around her in a little town in North Shansi Province. She talked of guerrilla war and the need for men. But the farmers were mute, unmoved. Finally one man spoke up: "You are an old woman. What do you know of guerrilla war?"

The others were quick to take up the taunt. Suddenly, Mama Mosquito had an idea.

"Are there any Japanese patrols near by?" she asked the men. When they said there were, she begged them to follow her. She moved down the road softly, and they trailed on behind with cautious steps. They came to the first slope where the Japanese sentries stood stiffly. The old woman fumbled in her skirt, pulled out the Mauser, took aim.

The first man dropped, like a shooting-gallery duck. Madame took aim again and the second sentry dropped. The third sentry ran as fast as his legs would carry him. Mama Mosquito put the gun away. She had won over a hundred men, and they went with her into the hills.

After that, the mountain army grew rapidly and so did the number of spies trying to uncover its headquarters. In February, 1934, Japanese troops came to Mama Mosquito's village; they chose five of the town's leading citizens at random, tortured them for information, and when none was forthcoming, burned them at the stake in the village market place. The following day the invaders picked out a dozen houses and set them

afire; Mama Mosquito waited until the Japanese moved on; then she loaded her cache of arms and food into some old wagons, covered it with vegetables and travelled back to Siu-yang.

In May she started a school of patriotism for Chinese illiterates; planted a bomb under the local Japanese barracks and blew them up; held up a supply train with her men and got enough guns and ammunition for a hundred recruits.

And in June, Mama Mosquito was in gaol. A hundred Japanese soldiers came to her house one night, accompanied by five Chinese spies. Three months later she was brought to trial. On the second day of the trial Mama Mosquito hobbled to the stand, and bowed politely to the judge.

"Look at me," she said, in a quavering voice. "I am an old woman. Do I look as if I have the strength to lead volunteers?"

The judge nodded, frowning, as though he had already thought of that. There was no evidence but the word of the paid Chinese traitors. It was a foolish idea—such a frail and stupid old woman leading an army of men.

Mama Mosquito was set free and lost no time in fleeing the town.

For the next three years Mama Mosquito made her headquarters near Peiping, raising funds, enlisting new recruits for the long war she knew was coming to China.

Japanese secret agents carry her photograph and that of her sons; women police in Japanese-controlled centres searched every Chinese woman with the desperate hope that one of them may be Mama Mosquito.

They do not know that she got inside Peiping a dozen times by squeezing her thin body through a 14-inch hole in the north-east city wall, nor that the blind vegetable woman with an ox cart at Tientsin was the chief of the guerrilla troops.

Prior to the banquet at Chungking, she travelled to Hankow to talk to guerrilla leaders from other Chinese provinces. The Hankow authorities dispatched an automobile to her hotel to take her to the train.

"What?" she snorted. "Ride in a motorcar? What would my troops say if they heard about that? They might think I had forgotten how they have to live!" And she picked up her battered bag and walked the two miles to the railroad station. Half a dozen regular army commanders were there to see her off; they stood stiffly at attention as the train pulled out.

Madame Mosquito

THE WORLD--IN LIGHTER VEIN

THE SPARTAN

This happened to a downtown dentist. A ten-year-old boy came in for an extraction. He had been sent by his uncle, a former team-mate of the dentist. The youngster wouldn't take gas. He was given a local.

"This will hurt," said the dentist.

"I ain't afraid," was the reply. "But it will hurt a lot!"

"I don't care."

It was a difficult and painful operation. The boy didn't even whimper. His courage amazed the dentist.

Released from the chair, he headed straight for the door. Without a word, without a backward glance.

At the door he hesitated, turned sharply, spat out a mouthful of blood and yelled: "You — ! — !"

And was gone.

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MISUNDERSTOOD

A member of a Ladies Aid Society in a small town went to the bank to deposit, as she told the banker, "some aid money."

Unfortunately the banker thought she said "egg money," and said:

"Remarkable, isn't it, how well the old hens are doing these days?"

And then he couldn't understand why the woman gathered in her passbook and hurried from the bank!

BIRD TALK

An attractive young miss bought a canary and, since the house was full of evacuees, she put it in the bathroom next to the parrot-cage.

That evening she took a bath, and the bright electric light and steam and so on apparently made the canary think summer had arrived. Anyhow, it started chirping.

"Peep-peep!" it went, and the parrot eyed it—but said nothing.

"Peep-peep!" went the canary again, and still the parrot said nothing.

"Peep-peep!" chirped the canary for the third time. This was more than the parrot could bear, and it rasped out:

"Peep-peep, hell! I'm going to have a b— good look!"

ENTITLED TO

She had a lot of jewellery in the house and was afraid of burglars, so she advertised for a body-guard. A hefty individual appeared and apparently came up to all specifications.

Instructing him in his duties, she told him that the only way into the house at night lay through the garage, from which a passage-way led directly to her bedroom.

"You will sleep in the garage," she said.

"Yes mum," he replied. "You're not afraid of being shot if any burglars enter the garage, are you?" she asked.

"Madame," he replied, "if any burglars find me in the garage they're entitled to shoot me!"

DISAPPOINTING

The young cleric was taking his first confessional. She was a pretty young lass, who blushed becomingly as she spoke of her boy-friend.

"First," she said, "he kissed me."

"Yes, yes, go on," said the cleric.

"Then he put his arms round me and drew me onto his lap. . . ."

"Yes, yes, go on," said the cleric.

"Then his hand started to wander. . . ."

"Yes, yes, go on, tell me all!"

"Then mother walked in."

"Oh hell!"

MORE APPROPRIATE

And later, talking to the Bishop, this same cleric asked how the old boy thought he got on.

"Oh very well indeed," said the Bishop, "but I'd like to make one suggestion. I think in future it would be better if you just said 'tsk, tsk,' instead of letting out a long whistle!"

LE MOT JUSTE

At a dinner party in New York, a South American visitor was telling about his country and himself. He concluded, "And I have a most charming and sympathetic wife but, alas, no children." Then, as his companions seemed to expect further enlightenment, he continued haltingly, "You see, my wife is unbearable."

This was greeted with puzzled glances, so he sought to clear the matter up: "I mean, my wife is inconceivable." Seeing that this, too, was not understood, and floundering deeper and deeper in the intricacies of English, he finally explained triumphantly: "That is, my wife, she is impregnable!"

DON'T STOP ME

As the crowd of commuters thinned out, the bartender saw an old customer sitting alone at a table, muttering to himself. At times he laughed heartily and at others cut the air with his hand in a gesture of disgust. He was obviously piliated.

As soon as he was free, the bartender went over to the table. "Mr. Benson, you've missed your usual train. Mrs. Benson will be worried. What are you doing?"

"Can't I just sit here and tell myself stories?" Mr. Benson asked plaintively.

"Surely, surely," the bartender soothed him. "But what does that gesture mean?"

"Oh, that," said Mr. Benson, beaming; "that's when I tell myself one I've heard before."

INTELLIGENCE SERVICE

A coloured boy walked into a drugstore in Raleigh, North Carolina, and asked if he could use the phone. The druggist assenting, the boy took down the receiver, and said: "Central, give me number 604."

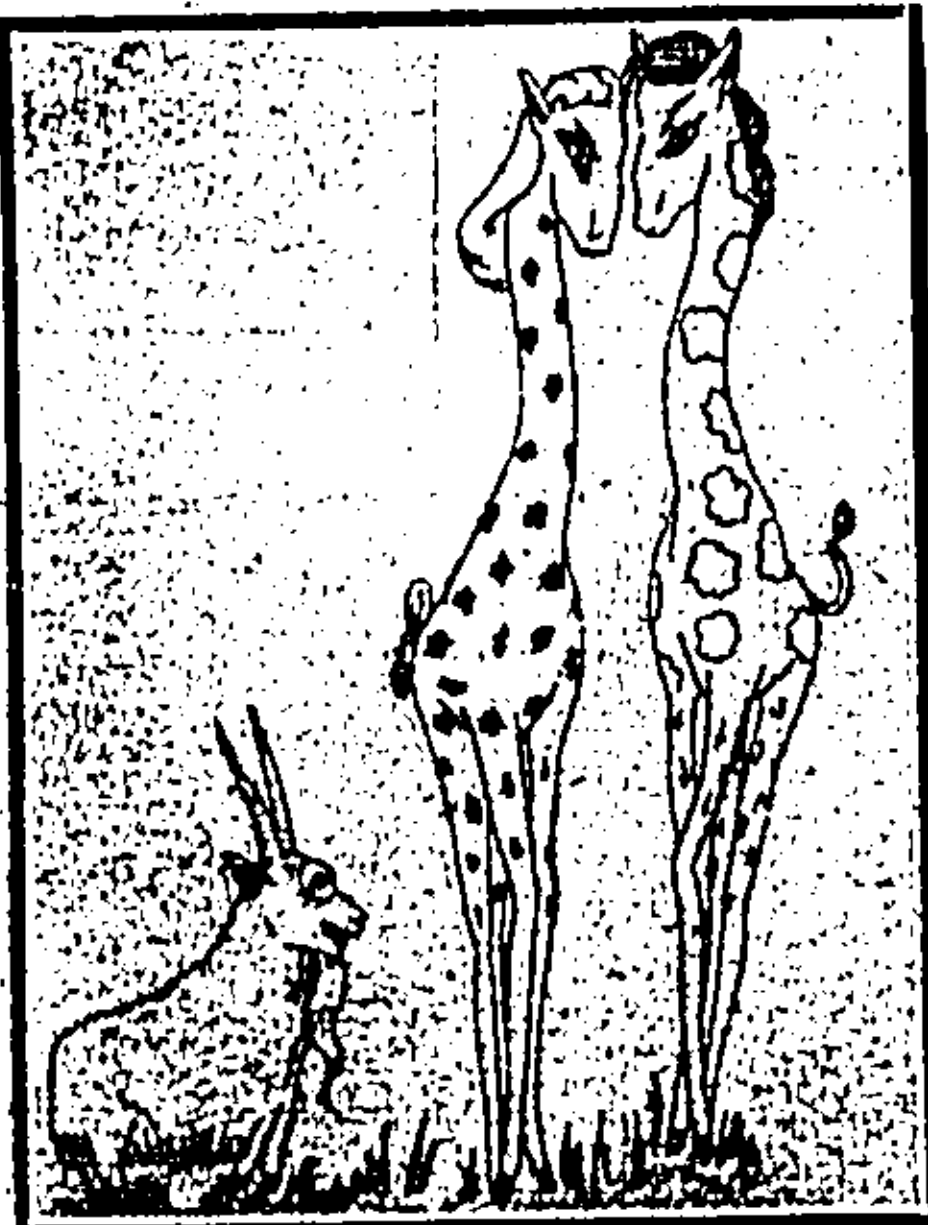
Then, "Is yo' Dr. Anderson? Do yo' want to hiah a boy to mow de lawn, milk de cow and run erran's? Already got a boy, is yo'?" Dr. Anderson, is yo' puffedly satisfied wid de boy yo' already got? Goodbye, Dr. Anderson."

As the boy started out, the druggist called to him: "Hey, boy, I believe you could do some work for me."

"I've got a job, I is," the boy replied.

"Didn't I hear you just now trying to get a job from Dr. Anderson?" the druggist asked.

"No, suh," said the boy. "I've got Dr. Anderson's boy. I've just checkin' up on mahself."



"Here comes that impossible yaki!"—Judge, U.S.A.

THE END

Rosemary, one of the many little girls recently sent out of London, was going to bed on her first evening in the country. "Do you say your prayers before going to bed, darling?" her hostess asked. Rosemary said she did.

"Well, then, kneel down and I'll listen as your mother does."

Rosemary repeated the usual "Now I lay me down to sleep," and then improvised a postscript of her own. "And God, please protect Daddy and Mummy from those German bombs. And, do, dear God, take good care of yourself—because if anything happens to you, we're sunk."

And then there was the evacuee who, when writing home to his mother from the country, was full of excitement over the activities of the farm to which he had been sent.

"The pigs are very funny," he wrote. "There was one big pig and a lot of little pigs, and the little pigs chased the big pig all over the place. At last, the big pig got tired and went to sleep in the sun. And the little pigs ran up to it and nibbled all its buttocks off!"

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BY GOD'S GRACE

He was an incorrigible drinker and, when all else had failed, the family physician decided to put the fear of God into him.

"I warn you," said the medico, "that if you give way to drinking just once more, you'll rid yourself of the lining of your stomach."

He went into the gory details, and his patient was impressed.

Returning home, the drunkard told his wife of the doctor's threat. "Millie," he concluded piously, "as sure as I stand here, I shall not touch another drop of liquor as long as I live."

For months he was true to his word, but finally the effort proved too much for him—and he fell.

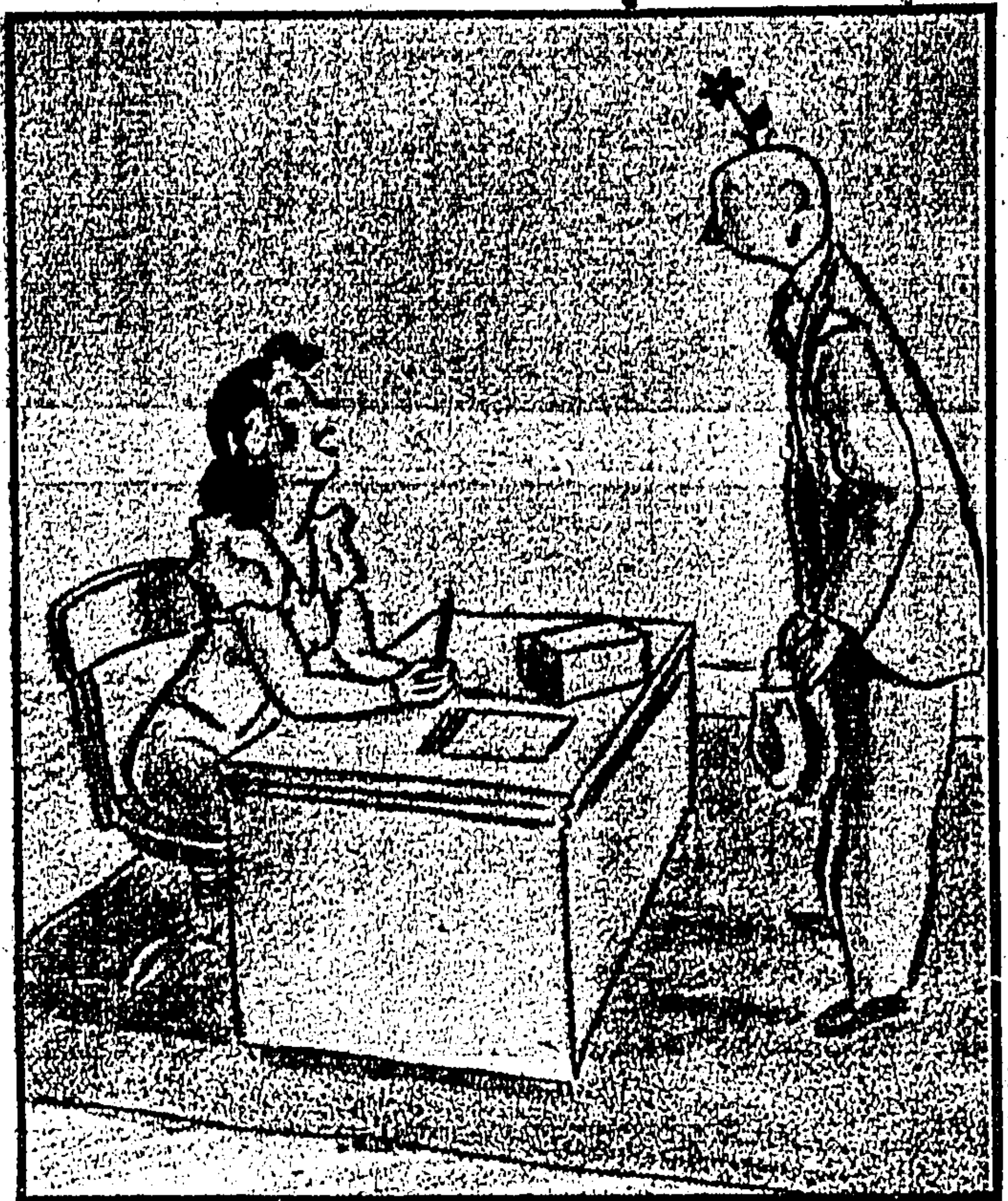
His dutiful wife put him to bed at four in the morning, and it occurred to her that she must teach him a lesson once and for all.

In the kitchen was a plateful of raw sheep's brains which she had intended for the next day's meal. This she took and grimly placed on the floor beside his bed.

The following morning the sinner came down to breakfast looking rather green and sheepish.

"Well?" asked his wife.

"Well, Millie," he replied, "what the doctor said happened." Then, triumphantly: "But by the Grace of God and the help of a toothbrush, I managed to put it all back in again!"



"What was it you wanted to see, Mr. Ripley about?"—Judge, U.S.A.

INGENIOUS

Eddie Cantor tells this story about the ventriloquist who was in theatrical parlance "between engagements"—which means between meals, or broke.

But he was ingenious, and a fine ventriloquist. So he spent his last dollar to buy a little dog and with the dog under his arm he made for the nearest bar.

Here he took the bartender aside and said, "I have nothing in the world but this talking dog of mine. Would you give me \$20 for him?"

The bartender was immediately on the defensive. "Whaddya mean, a talking dog?" he asked.

The ventriloquist went into his act. Apparently from the mouth of the puppy came a shrill bark, and then, "Sure I talk! I could say plenty about the free lunch in this joint. It's terrible! I've been here before!"

The bartender scratched his head in amazement. The ventriloquist smiled tenderly at the dog, and entreated the bartender: "I hate to give him up, but I've got

to have the dough. How about it?"

"Twenty dollars is too much even for a talking dog. Here's ten."

Our ventriloquist was in no position to quibble. He grabbed the bill, mumbled, "Thanks, pal," and hastened out.

But as he reached the door, the animal shouted at him: "I'm only worth ten bucks, eh? Just for that I'll never say another word as long as I live!"

And he didn't.

NAUTICALLY SPEAKING

A young midshipman, very insistent he must have leave, was asked the reason by his commanding officer.

"My wife is expecting a baby," he replied.

"Listen, young man, remember this—you are only necessary at the laying of the keel. For the launching you are entirely superfluous."

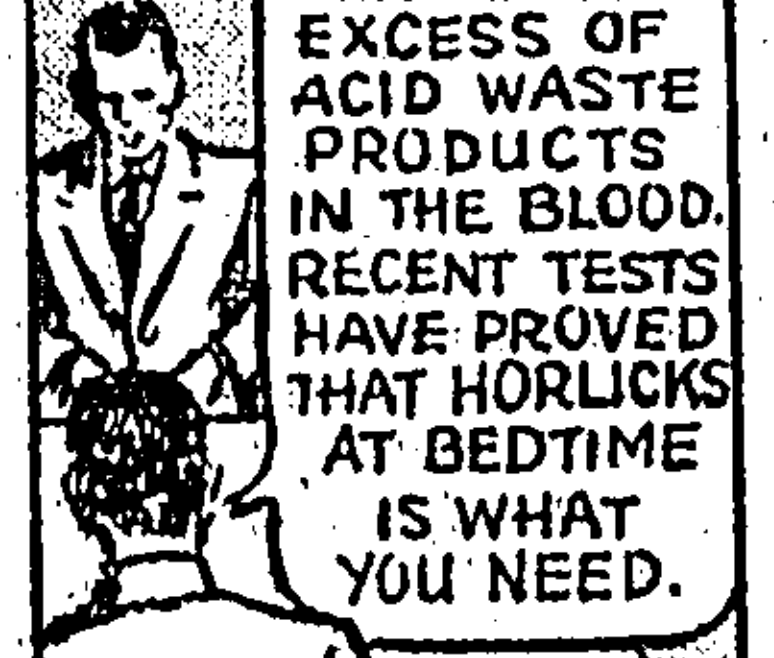
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AT THE DOCTOR'S



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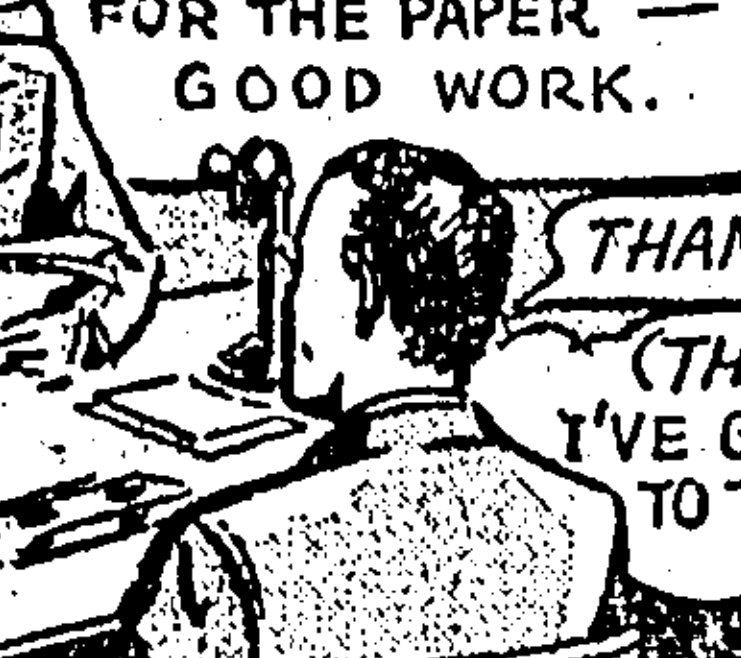
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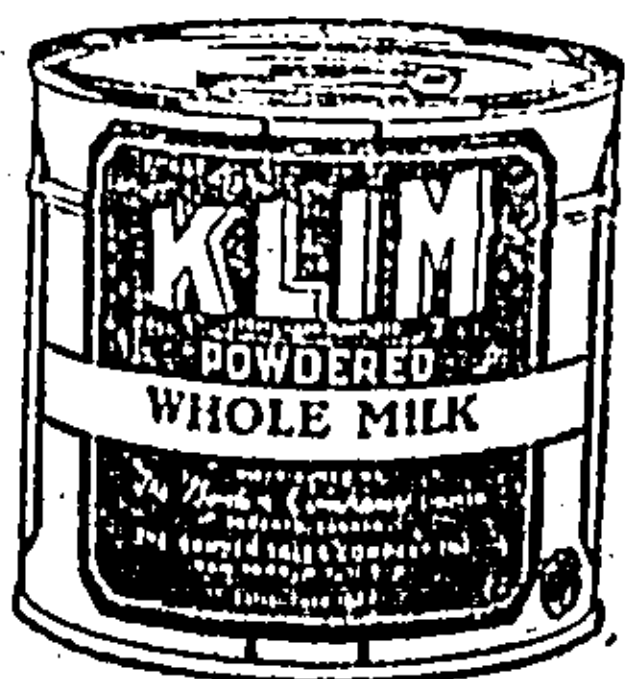
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